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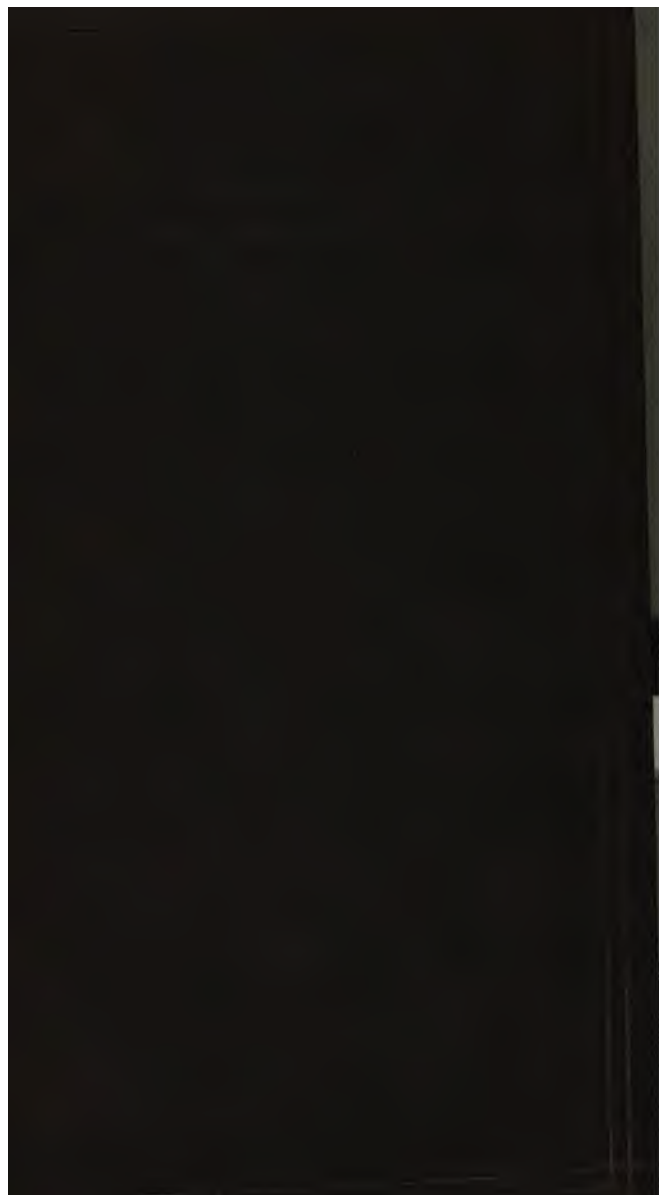
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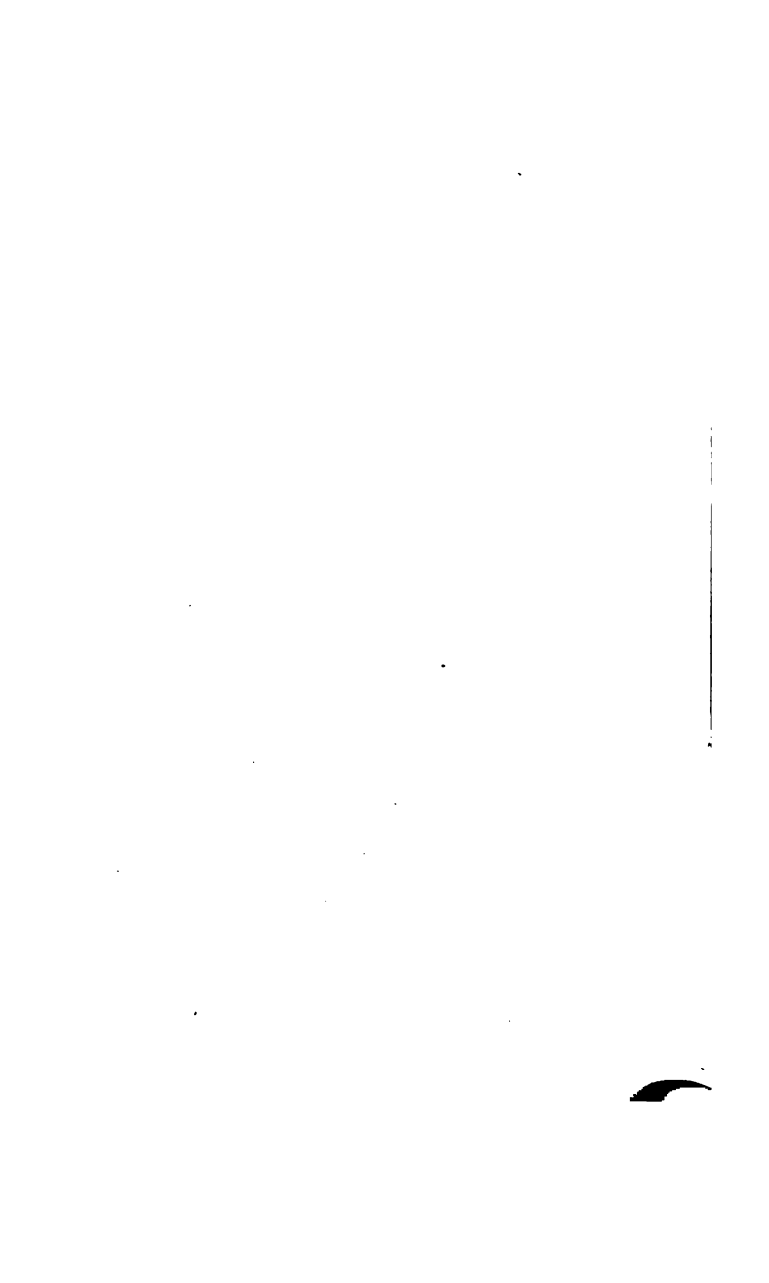
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PART I

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¶ *At the commencement of every Office, where it is not otherwise directed, all present shall kneel, and devoutly say the following Prayer, silently,—*

O LORD, open Thou my mouth that I may bless Thy Holy Name. Cleanse my heart from all vain, evil, and wandering thoughts; enlighten my understanding; kindle my affections; that I may pray to, and praise Thee with attention and devotion; and so may be heard before the presence of Thy Divine Majesty; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Benedictions.

1. May the Eternal Father bless us with perpetual blessing.

2. May the Only Begotten Son of God vouchsafe to bless and help us.

3. May the grace of the Holy Spirit illumine our hearts and minds.

4. May the Father and the Son, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, bless and keep us.

5. O God, our God, give us Thy blessing.

6. May the Lord Almighty evermore bless us with His grace.

7. May the Lord kindle in our hearts the fire of His love.

8. May the Wisdom of God the Father instruct us in celestial learning.

9. From the Fount of the Gospel may we be filled with heavenly doctrine.

10. May the reading of this Gospel be to us health and protection.

11. May the mercy of Jesus Christ lead us to the joys of heaven.

12. May the King of Angels bring us to the company of the heavenly citizens.

13. May Jesus, Son of Mary, bless us with everlasting blessing.

14. From every evil enemy defend us, O Lord, Son of the Virgin.

15. May the splendour of Eternal Light illumine us for ever.

16. May the Lord open our hearts to understand His laws.

17. May the Lord teach us to despise earthly and to love heavenly things.

18. May the Lord lift up the Light of His countenance upon us, and be merciful unto us.

19. May God have mercy upon us, and give us peace.

20. May the peace of God abide upon us now and for ever.

Response. Amen.

THE CANONICAL HOURS

ACCORDING TO THE USE OF THE

Guild of S. Alban.

PART I.

Matins.

The Matins of the Church of England.

¶ *When this Office is said in any place other than a Church or Chapel, it commenceth by the saying of the Lord's Prayer silently; after which in a loud voice is said,—*

O Lord, open Thou our lips.

And so the Office continueth until the third Collect, for Grace, O Lord, our heavenly Father, hath been said; then follow only the Anthem and Benediction.

Prime.

V. Come to our aid, O God.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be ; * world without end. Amen.

THE HYMN.

(For which see the HYMNAL.)

THE PSALMS.**PSALM III.**

LORD, how are they increased that trouble me ; * many are they that rise against me.

Many one there be that say of my soul, * There is no help for him in his God.

But Thou, O Lord, art my defender ; * Thou art my worship, and the Lifter up of my head.

I did call upon the Lord with my voice ; * and He heard me out of His holy hill.

I laid me down and slept, and rose up again ; * for the Lord sustained me.

I will not be afraid for ten thousands of the people, * that have set themselves against me round about.

Up, Lord, and help me, O my God ; * for Thou smitest all mine enemies upon the cheek-bone ; Thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly.

Salvation belongeth unto the Lord : * and Thy blessing is upon Thy people.

PSALM V.

PONDER my words, O Lord ; * consider my meditation.

O hearken Thou unto the voice of my calling, my King, and my God ; * for unto Thee will I make my prayer.

My voice shalt Thou hear betimes, O Lord ; * early in the morning will I direct my prayer unto Thee, and will look up.

For Thou art the God that hast no pleasure in wickedness ; * neither shall any evil dwell with Thee.

Such as be foolish shall not stand in Thy sight ; * for Thou hatest all them that work vanity.

Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing : * the Lord will abhor both the blood-thirsty and deceitful man.

But as for me, I will come into Thine house, even upon the multitude of Thy mercy ; * and in Thy fear will I worship toward Thy holy temple.

Lead me, O Lord, in Thy righteousness, because of mine enemies ; * make Thy way plain before my face.

For there is no faithfulness in his mouth ; * their inward parts are very wickedness.

Their throat is an open sepulchre ; * they flatter with their tongue.

Destroy Thou them, O God ; let them perish through their own imaginations ; * cast them out in the multitude of their ungodliness ; for they have rebelled against Thee.

And let all them that put their trust in Thee rejoice : * they shall ever be giving of thanks, because Thou defendest them ; they that love Thy Name shall be joyful in Thee.

For Thou, Lord, wilt give Thy blessing unto the righteous ; * and with Thy favourable kindness wilt Thou defend him as with a shield.

PSALM LVII.

BE merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me, for my soul trusteth in Thee ; * and under the shadow of Thy wings shall be my refuge, until this tyranny be over-past.

I will call unto the most high God ; * even unto the God that shall perform the cause which I have in hand.

He shall send from heaven, * and save me from the reproof of him that would eat me up.

God shall send forth His mercy and truth : * my soul is among lions,

And I lie even among the children of men, that are set on fire ; * whose teeth are spears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword.

Set up Thyself, O God, above the heavens ; * and Thy glory above all the earth.

They have laid a net for my feet, and pressed down my soul : * they have digged a pit before me, and are fallen into the midst of it themselves.

My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed ; * I will sing, and give praise.

Awake up, my glory ; awake, lute and harp : * I myself will awake right early.

I will give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, among the people ; * and I will sing unto Thee among the nations ;

For the greatness of Thy mercy reacheth unto the heavens, * and Thy truth unto the clouds.

Set up Thyself, O God, above the heavens ; * and Thy glory above all the earth.

ANTHEM. I laid me down and slept, and rose up again ; for the Lord sustained me.

¶ *These Psalms and Anthem are used from the second Sunday after Epiphany until Septuagesima Sunday, and from the Monday after Trinity Sunday until Advent, except upon such Holy Days as have a proper Anthem and Psalms appointed.*

The Psalms and Anthems for the remainder of the year will be found in the Second Part of this Manual.

THE LESSON.

2 THESSALONIANS, II. 15—17.

BRETHREN, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our

epistle. Now our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God, even our Father, Which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work. And Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

R. Thanks be to God.

Or 1 CORINTHIANS, xv. 58.

BRETHREN, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord. And Thou.

Or 1 CORINTHIANS, xvi. 13, 14.

BRETHREN, watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong. Let all your things be done with charity. And Thou.

¶ *One of these Lessons is used when no other is specially appointed.*

¶ *After the Lesson, a Homily, or some portion of the writings of a Father, or Doctor of the Church, or the life of a Saint, may be read, at the discretion of the President.*

V. O Lord, arise, help us ;

R. And deliver us for Thy Name's sake.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father, Which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation. But deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

V. O Lord, hear our prayer.

R. And let our cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray.

¶ *Then are said, the Collect for the day, for which see the Second Part of this Manual, and the Prayer for the Guild, which is always the same as that appointed to be used in the Compline Office of the day; and, after that, such Prayers as have been ordered to be said by competent authority, always concluding with this which here followeth,—*

LORD God, King of heaven and earth, vouchsafe this day to rule and sanctify, direct and govern our souls and bodies, our senses, words, and actions, in conformity with Thy law, and in strict obedience to Thy commands; that, by the help of Thy Grace, O Saviour of the world, we may be fenced and freed from all evils both now and for ever. *Amen.*

V. O Lord, hear our prayer.

R. And let our cry come unto Thee.

V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

V. May the Divine assistance ever remain with us.

R. And with our absent brethren.

V. May the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

R. Amen.

May the Lord this day direct our hearts and doings in the way of His peace.

R. Amen.

Terce.

V. Come to our aid, O God.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be ; * world without end. Amen.

THE HYMN.

(For which see the HYMNAL.)

THE PSALMS.**ON SUNDAY.****PSALM CXX.**

WHEN I was in trouble I called upon the Lord ; *
and He heard me.

Deliver my soul, O Lord, from lying lips, * and from a deceitful tongue.

What reward shall be given or done unto thee, thou false tongue ; * even mighty and sharp arrows, with hot burning coals.

Wo is me, that I am constrained to dwell with Me-sech ; * and to have my habitation among the tents of Kedar.

My soul hath long dwelt among them * that are enemies unto peace.

I labour for peace, but when I speak unto them thereof, * they make them ready to battle.

PSALM CXXI.

I WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills, * from whence cometh my help.

My help cometh even from the Lord, * Who hath made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved ; * and He that keepeth thee will not sleep.

Behold, He that keepeth Israel * shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord himself is thy Keeper ; * the Lord is thy Defence upon thy right hand ;

So that the sun shall not burn thee by day, * neither the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil ; * yea, it is even He that shall keep thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in, * from this time forth for evermore.

PSALM CXXII.

I WAS glad when they said unto me, * We will go into the house of the Lord.

Our feet shall stand in thy gates, * O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is built as a city, * that is at unity in itself.

For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord, * to testify unto Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord.

For there is the seat of judgment, * even the seat of the house of David.

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem : * they shall prosper that love thee.

Peace be within thy walls, * and plenteousness within thy palaces.

For my brethren and companions' sakes, * I will wish thee prosperity.

Yea, because of the house of the Lord our God, * I will seek to do thee good.

ANTHEM. O pray for the peace of Jerusalem : they shall prosper that love thee.

On MONDAY and THURSDAY.

PSALM I.

BLESSED is the man that hath not walked in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stood in the way of sinners ; * and hath not sat in the seat of the scornful.

But his delight is in the law of the Lord ; * and in His law will he exercise himself day and night.

And he shall be like a tree planted by the water-side ; * that will bring forth his fruit in due season.

His leaf also shall not wither ; * and look, whatsoever he doeth, it shall prosper.

As for the ungodly, it is not so with them ; * but they are like the chaff, which the wind scattereth away from the face of the earth.

Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to stand in the judgment ; * neither the sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

But the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous ; * and the way of the ungodly shall perish.

PSALM XV.

LORD, who shall dwell in Thy tabernacle ? * or who shall rest upon Thy holy hill ?

Even he, that leadeth an uncorrupt life, * and doeth the thing which is right, and speaketh the truth from his heart.

He that hath used no deceit in his tongue, nor done evil to his neighbour, * and hath not slandered his neighbour.

He that setteth not by himself, but is lowly in his own eyes, * and maketh much of them that fear the Lord.

He that sweareth unto his neighbour, and disappointeth him not, * though it were to his own hindrance.

He that hath not given his money upon usury, * nor taken reward against the innocent.

*Whoso doeth these things, * shall never fall.*

PSALM CXIX.

BLESSED are those that are undefiled in the way, *
and walk in the law of the Lord.

Blessed are they that keep His testimonies, * and
seek Him with their whole heart.

For they who do no wickedness, * walk in His ways.

Thou hast charged, * that we shall diligently keep
Thy commandments.

O that my ways were made so direct, * that I might
keep Thy statutes!

So shall I not be confounded, * while I have respect
unto all Thy commandments.

I will thank Thee with an unfeigned heart, * when I
shall have learned the judgments of Thy righteousness.

I will keep Thy ceremonies : * O forsake me not
utterly.

ANTHEM. O that my ways were made so direct, that I
might keep Thy statutes!

On **TUESDAY** and **FRIDAY**.

PART OF PSALM CXIX.

THOU art my portion, O Lord : * I have promised
to keep Thy law.

I made my humble petition in Thy presence with my
whole heart : * O be merciful unto me, according to Thy
word.

I called mine own ways to remembrance, * and turned
my feet unto Thy testimonies.

I made haste, and prolonged not the time, * to keep
Thy commandments.

The congregations of the ungodly have robbed me ; *
but I have not forgotten Thy law.

At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto Thee ; *
because of Thy righteous judgments.

I am a companion of all them that fear Thee, * and keep Thy commandments.

The earth, O Lord, is full of Thy mercy : * O teach me Thy statutes.

O LORD, Thou hast dealt graciously with Thy servant, * according unto Thy word.

O learn me true understanding and knowledge ; * for I have believed Thy commandments.

Before I was troubled, I went wrong ; * but now have I kept Thy word.

Thou art good and gracious : * O teach me Thy statutes.

The proud have imagined a lie against me ; * but I will keep Thy commandments with my whole heart.

Their heart is as fat as brawn ; * but my delight hath been in Thy law.

It is good for me that I have been in trouble, * that I may learn Thy statutes.

The law of Thy mouth is dearer unto me * than thousands of gold and silver.

THY hands have made me and fashioned me : * O give me understanding, that I may learn Thy commandments.

They that fear Thee will be glad when they see me ; * because I have put my trust in Thy word.

I know, O Lord, that Thy judgments are right ; * and that Thou of very faithfulness hast caused me to be troubled.

O let Thy merciful kindness be my comfort ; * according to Thy word unto Thy servant.

O let Thy loving mercies come unto me, that I may live ; * for Thy law is my delight.

Let the proud be confounded, for they go wickedly about to destroy me ; * but I will be occupied in Thy commandments.

Let such as fear Thee, and have known Thy testimonies, * be turned unto me.

O let my heart be sound in Thy statutes, * that I be not ashamed.

ANTHEM. The earth, O Lord, is full of Thy mercy; O teach me Thy statutes.

On WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY.

PART OF PSALM CXIX.

THY testimonies are wonderful; * therefore doth my soul keep them.

When Thy word goeth forth, * it giveth light and understanding unto the simple.

I opened my mouth, and drew in my breath; * for my delight was in Thy commandments.

O look Thou upon me, and be merciful unto me, * as Thou usest to do unto those that love Thy Name.

Order my steps in Thy word; * and so shall no wickedness have dominion over me.

O deliver me from the wrongful dealings of men; * and so shall I keep Thy commandments.

Shew the light of Thy countenance upon Thy servant, * and teach me Thy statutes.

Mine eyes gush out with water; * because men keep not Thy law.

RIGHTEOUS art Thou, O Lord, * and true is Thy judgment.

The testimonies that Thou hast commanded, * are exceeding righteous and true.

My zeal hath even consumed me; * because mine enemies have forgotten Thy words.

Thy word is tried to the uttermost, * and Thy servant loveth it.

I am small, and of no reputation; * yet do I not forget Thy commandments.

Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, *
and Thy law is the truth.

Trouble and heaviness have taken hold upon me ; *
yet is my delight in Thy commandments.

The righteousness of Thy testimonies is everlasting ; *
O grant me understanding, and I shall live.

I CALL with my whole heart, * hear me, O Lord, I
will keep Thy statutes.

Yea, even unto Thee do I call ; * help me, and I
shall keep Thy testimonies.

Early in the morning do I cry unto Thee ; * for in
Thy word is my trust.

Mine eyes prevent the night-watches, * that I might
be occupied in Thy words.

Hear my voice, O Lord, according unto Thy loving-
kindness : * quicken me, according as Thou art wont.

They draw nigh that of malice persecute me, * and
are far from Thy law.

Be Thou nigh at hand, O Lord ; * for all Thy com-
mandments are true.

As concerning Thy testimonies, I have known long
since, * that Thou hast grounded them for ever.

ANTHEM. Hear my voice, O Lord, according unto Thy
loving-kindness : quicken me, according as Thou art
wont.

THE LESSON.

¶ *For the LESSON, VERSE, and RESPONSE, see the Second Part
of this Manual.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father.

V. O Lord, hear our prayer.

R. And let our cry come unto Thee.

¶ *Then is said, the Collect for the day, as at Prime, and after that,—*

V. O Lord, hear our prayer.

R. And let our cry come unto Thee.

V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

V. May the Divine assistance ever remain with us.

R. And with our absent Brethren.

V. May the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

R. Amen.

Sext.

V. Come to our aid, O God.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

THE HYMN.

(*For which see the HYMNAL.*)

THE PSALMS.

On SUNDAY.

PSALM CXXIII.

UNTO Thee lift I up mine eyes, * O Thou that dwellest in the heavens.

Behold, even as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters, and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress, * even so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God, until He have mercy upon us.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us, * for we are utterly despised.

Our soul is filled with the scornful reproof of the wealthy, * and with the despitefulness of the proud.

PSALM CXXIV.

IF the Lord Himself had not been on our side, now may Israel say; * if the Lord Himself had not been on our side, when men rose up against us;

They had swallowed us up quick; * when they were so wrathfully displeased at us.

Yea, the waters had drowned us; * and the stream had gone over our soul.

The deep waters of the proud * had gone even over our soul.

But praised be the Lord, * Who hath not given us over for a prey unto their teeth.

Our soul is escaped even as a bird out of the snare of the fowler ; * the snare is broken, and we are delivered.

Our help standeth in the Name of the Lord, * Who hath made heaven and earth.

PSALM CXXV.

THEY that put their trust in the Lord shall be even as the mount Sion ; * which may not be removed, but standeth fast for ever.

The hills stand about Jerusalem ; * even so standeth the Lord round about His people, from this time forth for evermore.

For the rod of the ungodly cometh not into the lot of the righteous ; * lest the righteous put their hand unto wickedness.

Do well, O Lord, * unto those that are good and true of heart.

As for such as turn back unto their own wickedness, * the Lord shall lead them forth with the evil-doers ; but peace shall be upon Israel.

ANTHEM. They that put their trust in the Lord shall be even as the mount Sion ; which standeth fast for ever.

On MONDAY and THURSDAY.

PART OF PSALM CXIX.

WHEREWITHAL shall a young man cleanse his way ? * even by ruling himself after Thy word.

With my whole heart have I sought Thee ; * O let me not go wrong out of Thy commandments.

Thy words have I hid within my heart ; * that I should not sin against Thee.

Blessed art Thou, O Lord ; * O teach me Thy statutes.

With my lips have I been telling * of all the judgments of Thy mouth.

I have had as great delight in the way of Thy testimonies, * as in all manner of riches.

I will talk of Thy commandments, * and have respect unto Thy ways.

My delight shall be in Thy statutes, * and I will not forget Thy word.

O DO well unto Thy servant, * that I may live and keep Thy word.

Open Thou mine eyes, * that I may see the wondrous things of Thy law.

I am a stranger upon earth; * O hide not Thy commandments from me.

My soul breaketh out for the very fervent desire, * that it hath alway unto Thy judgments.

Thou hast rebuked the proud; * and cursed are they that do err from Thy commandments.

O turn from me shame and rebuke: * for I have kept Thy testimonies.

Princes also did sit and speak against me; * but Thy servant is occupied in Thy statutes.

For Thy testimonies are my delight, * and my counsellors.

MY soul cleaveth to the dust: * O quicken Thou me, according to Thy word.

I have acknowledged my ways, and Thou heardest me; * O teach me Thy statutes.

Make me to understand the way of Thy commandments; * and so shall I talk of Thy wondrous works.

My soul melteth away for very heaviness; * comfort Thou me according unto Thy word.

Take from me the way of lying, * and cause Thou me to make much of Thy law.

I have chosen the way of truth; * and Thy judgments have I laid before me.

I have stuck unto Thy testimonies; * O Lord, confound me not.

I will run the way of Thy commandments, * when Thou hast set my heart at liberty.

ANTHEM. Blessed art Thou, O Lord ; O teach me Thy statutes.

On TUESDAY and FRIDAY.

PART OF PSALM CXIX.

MY soul hath longed for Thy salvation ; * and I have a good hope because of Thy word.

Mine eyes long sore for Thy word ; * saying, O when wilt Thou comfort me ?

For I am become like a bottle in the smoke ; * yet do I not forget Thy statutes.

How many are the days of Thy servant ? * when wilt Thou be avenged of them that persecute me ?

The proud have digged pits for me, * which are not after Thy law.

All Thy commandments are true : * they persecute me falsely ; O be Thou my help.

They had almost made an end of me upon earth ; * but I forsook not Thy commandments.

O quicken me after Thy loving-kindness, * and so shall I keep the testimonies of Thy mouth.

O LORD, Thy word * endureth for ever in heaven. Thy truth also remaineth from one generation to another ; * Thou hast laid the foundation of the earth, and it abideth.

They continue this day according to Thine ordinance ; * for all things serve Thee.

If my delight had not been in Thy law, * I should have perished in my trouble.

I will never forget Thy commandments ; * for with them Thou hast quickened me.

*I am Thine, O save me, * for I have sought Thy commandments.*

The ungodly laid wait for me to destroy me ; * but I will consider Thy testimonies.

I see that all things come to an end ; * but Thy commandment is exceeding broad.

LORD, what love have I unto Thy law ! * all the day long is my study in it.

Thou through Thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies ; * for they are ever with me.

I have more understanding than my teachers ; * for Thy testimonies are my study.

I am wiser than the aged ; * because I keep Thy commandments.

I have refrained my feet from every evil way , * that I may keep Thy word.

I have not shrunk from Thy judgments , * for Thou teachest me.

O how sweet are Thy words unto my throat ! * yea, sweeter than honey unto my mouth.

Through Thy commandments I get understanding ; * therefore I hate all evil ways.

ANTHEM. I will never forget Thy commandments, for with them Thou hast quickened me.

On WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY.

PART OF PSALM CXIX.

O CONSIDER mine adversity, and deliver me ; * for I do not forget Thy law.

Avenge Thou my cause, and deliver me ; * quicken me according to Thy word.

Health is far from the ungodly ; * for they regard not Thy statutes.

Great is Thy mercy, O Lord ; * quicken me, as Thou art wont.

*Many there are that trouble me, and persecute me ; * yet do I not swerve from Thy testimonies.*

It grieveth me when I see the transgressors ; * because they keep not Thy law.

Consider, O Lord, how I love Thy commandments ; * O quicken me, according to Thy loving-kindness.

Thy word is true from everlasting ; * all the judgments of Thy righteousness endure for evermore.

PRINCES have persecuted me without a cause ; * but my heart standeth in awe of Thy word.

I am as glad of Thy word, * as one that findeth great spoils.

As for lies, I hate and abhor them ; * but Thy law do I love.

Seven times a day do I praise Thee, * because of Thy righteous judgments.

Great is the peace that they have who love Thy law ; * and they are not offended at it.

Lord, I have looked for Thy saving health, * and done after Thy commandments.

My soul hath kept Thy testimonies, * and loved them exceedingly.

I have kept Thy commandments and testimonies ; * for all my ways are before Thee.

LET my complaint come before Thee, O Lord ; * give me understanding, according to Thy word.

Let my supplication come before Thee ; * deliver me, according to Thy word.

My lips shall speak of Thy praise, * when Thou hast taught me Thy statutes.

Yea, my tongue shall sing of Thy word ; * for all Thy commandments are righteous.

Let Thine hand help me ; * for I have chosen Thy commandments.

I have longed for Thy saving health, O Lord ; * and in Thy law is my delight.

O let my soul live, and it shall praise Thee ; * and Thy judgments shall help me.

I have gone astray like a sheep that is lost ; * O seek Thy servant, for I do not forget Thy commandments.

ANTHEM. Consider, O Lord, how I love Thy commandments ; O quicken me, according to Thy loving-kindness.

THE LESSON.

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Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father.

V. O Lord, hear our prayer.

R. And let our cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray.

¶ *Then follow the Collect for the day and the Prayer for the Guild (which is always the same as that appointed to be used in the Compline Office of the day), and any other of the Prayers authorised for the use of the Guild.*

V. O Lord, hear our prayer.

R. And let our cry come unto Thee.

V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

V. May the Divine assistance ever remain with us.

R. And with our absent Brethren.

V. May the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

R. Amen.

None.

V. Come to our aid, O God.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

THE HYMN.

(For which see the HYMNAL.)

THE PSALMS.**On SUNDAY.****PSALM LXXXIV.**

O HOW amiable are Thy dwellings, * Thou Lord of hosts!

My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord ; * my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young ; * even Thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house ; * they will be alway praising Thee.

Blessed is the man whose strength is in Thee ; * in whose heart are Thy ways.

Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well, * and the pools are filled with water.

They will go from strength to strength ; * and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer ; * hearken, O God of Jacob.

Behold, O God our defender, * and look upon the face of Thine Anointed.

For one day in Thy courts, * is better than a thousand.

I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God, * than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.

For the Lord God is a light and defence : * the Lord will give grace and worship, and no good thing shall He withhold from them that live a godly life.

O Lord God of hosts ; * blessed is the man that putteth his trust in Thee.

PSALM CXXXI.

LORD, I am not high-minded ; * I have no proud looks.

I do not exercise myself in great matters, * which are too high for me.

But I refrain my soul, and keep it low, like as a child that is weaned from his mother ; * yea, my soul is even as a weaned child.

O Israel, trust in the Lord, * from this time forth for evermore.

PSALM CXXVI.

WHEN the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion, * then were we like unto them that dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter, * and our tongue with joy.

Then said they among the heathen, * The Lord hath done great things for them.

Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already, * whereof we rejoice.

Turn our captivity, O Lord, * as the rivers in the south.

They that sow in tears * shall reap in joy.

He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth good seed, * shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with him.

ANTHEM. Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house :
they will be alway praising Thee.

On MONDAY and THURSDAY.

PART OF PSALM CXIX.

TEACH me, O Lord, the way of Thy statutes, * and
I shall keep it unto the end.

Give me understanding, and I shall keep Thy law ; *
yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart.

Make me to go in the path of Thy commandments, *
for therein is my desire.

Incline my heart unto Thy testimonies, * and not to
covetousness.

O turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity, * and
quicken Thou me in Thy way.

O stablish Thy word in Thy servant, * that I may
fear Thee.

Take away the rebuke that I am afraid of ; * for Thy
judgments are good.

Behold, my delight is in Thy commandments ; * O
quicken me in Thy righteousness.

LET Thy loving mercy come also unto me, O Lord ; *
even Thy salvation, according unto Thy word.

So shall I make answer unto my blasphemers ; * for
my trust is in Thy word.

O take not the word of Thy truth utterly out of my
mouth ; * for my hope is in Thy judgments.

So shall I alway keep Thy law ; * yea, for ever and
ever.

And I will walk at liberty ; * for I seek Thy com-
mandments.

I will speak of Thy testimonies also, even before
kings ; * and will not be ashamed.

And my delight shall be in Thy commandments ; *
which I have loved.

My hands also will I lift up unto Thy commandments,
which I have loved ; * and my study shall be in Thy
statutes.

O THINK upon Thy servant, as concerning Thy word ; * wherein Thou hast caused me to put my trust.

The same is my comfort in my trouble ; * for Thy word hath quickened me.

The proud have had me exceedingly in derision ; * yet have I not shrunk from Thy law.

For I remembered Thine everlasting judgments, O Lord ; * and received comfort.

I am horribly afraid, * for the ungodly that forsake Thy law.

Thy statutes have been my songs * in the house of my pilgrimage.

I have thought upon Thy Name, O Lord, in the night-season ; * and have kept Thy law.

This I had, * because I kept Thy commandments.

ANTHEM. O turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity ; and quicken Thou me in Thy way.

On TUESDAY and FRIDAY.

PART OF PSALM CXIX.

THY word is a lantern unto my feet, * and a light unto my paths.

I have sworn, and am stedfastly purposed * to keep Thy righteous judgments.

I am troubled above measure ; * quicken me, O Lord, according to Thy word.

Let the free-will offerings of my mouth please Thee, O Lord, * and teach me Thy judgments.

My soul is alway in my hand ; * yet do I not forget Thy law.

The ungodly have laid a snare for me, * but yet I swerved not from Thy commandments.

Thy testimonies have I claimed as mine heritage for ever ; * and why ? they are the very joy of my heart.

I have applied my heart to fulfil Thy statutes alway,* even unto the end.

I HATE them that imagine evil things;* but Thy law do I love.

Thou art my defence and shield;* and my trust is in Thy word.

Away from me, ye wicked;* I will keep the commandments of my God.

O stablish me according to Thy word, that I may live;* and let me not be disappointed of my hope.

Hold Thou me up, and I shall be safe;* yea, my delight shall be ever in Thy statutes.

Thou hast trodden down all them that depart from Thy statutes;* for they imagine but deceit.

Thou puttest away all the ungodly of the earth like dross;* therefore I love Thy testimonies.

My flesh trembleth for fear of Thee;* and I am afraid of Thy judgments.

I DEAL with the thing that is lawful and right;* O give me not over unto mine oppressors.

Make Thou Thy servant to delight in that which is good;* that the proud do me no wrong.

Mine eyes are wasted away with looking for Thy health,* and for the word of Thy righteousness.

O deal with Thy servant according unto Thy loving mercy;* and teach me Thy statutes.

I am Thy servant, O grant me understanding;* that I may know Thy testimonies.

It is time for Thee, Lord, to lay to Thine hand;* for they have destroyed Thy law.

For I love Thy commandments* above gold and precious stone.

Therefore hold I straight all Thy commandments;* and all false ways I utterly abhor.

ANTHEM. Hold Thou me up, and I shall be safe; yea, my delight shall be ever in Thy statutes.

On WEDNESDAY.

PSALM XI.

IN the Lord put I my trust : * how say ye then to my soul, that she should flee as a bird unto the hill ?

For lo, the ungodly bend their bow, and make ready their arrows within the quiver, * that they may privily shoot at them which are true of heart.

For the foundations will be cast down ; * and what hath the righteous done ?

The Lord is in His holy temple ; * the Lord's seat is in heaven.

His eyes consider the poor, * and His eyelids try the children of men.

The Lord alloweth the righteous ; * but the ungodly, and him that delighteth in wickedness doth His soul abhor.

Upon the ungodly He shall rain snares, fire and brimstone, storm and tempest ; * this shall be their portion to drink.

For the righteous Lord loveth righteousness ; * His countenance will behold the thing that is just.

PSALM XII.

HELP me, Lord, for there is not one godly man left ; * for the faithful are minished from among the children of men.

They talk of vanity every one with his neighbour ; * they do but flatter with their lips, and dissemble in their double heart.

The Lord shall root out all deceitful lips, * and the tongue that speaketh proud things ;

Which have said, With our tongue will we prevail ; * we are they that ought to speak, who is lord over us ?

*Now for the comfortless troubles' sake of the needy, * and because of the deep sighing of the poor,*

I will up, saith the Lord ; * and will help every one from him that swelleth against him, and will set him at rest.

The words of the Lord are pure words ; * even as the silver, which from the earth is tried, and purified seven times in the fire.

Thou shalt keep them, O Lord ; * Thou shalt preserve him from this generation for ever.

The ungodly walk on every side : * when they are exalted, the children of men are put to rebuke.

PSALM XIII.

HOW long wilt Thou forget me, O Lord, for ever ; *
how long wilt Thou hide Thy face from me ?

How long shall I seek counsel in my soul, and be so vexed in my heart ? * how long shall mine enemies triumph over me ?

Consider, and hear me, O Lord my God ; * lighten mine eyes, that I sleep not in death.

Lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him ; * for if I be cast down, they that trouble me will rejoice at it.

But my trust is in Thy mercy ; * and my heart is joyful in Thy salvation.

I will sing of the Lord, because He hath dealt so lovingly with me ; * yea, I will praise the Name of the Lord most Highest.

ANTHEM. My trust is in Thy mercy, O Lord ; and my heart is joyful in Thy salvation.

On SATURDAY.

PSALM VI.

O LORD, rebuke me not in Thine indignation ; *
neither chasten me in Thy displeasure.

Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am weak : * O Lord, heal me, for my bones are vexed.

My soul also is sore troubled ; * but, Lord, how long wilt Thou punish me ?

Turn Thee, O Lord, and deliver my soul ; * O save me for Thy mercy's sake.

For in death no man remembereth Thee ; * and who will give Thee thanks in the pit ?

I am weary of my groaning ; every night wash I my bed, * and water my couch with my tears.

My beauty is gone for very trouble, * and worn away because of all mine enemies.

Away from me, all ye that work vanity ; * for the Lord hath heard the voice of my weeping.

The Lord hath heard my petition ; * the Lord will receive my prayer.

All mine enemies shall be confounded, and sore vexed ; * they shall be turned back, and put to shame suddenly.

PSALM CXXX.

OUT of the deep have I called unto Thee, O Lord ; * Lord, hear my voice.

O let Thine ears consider well * the voice of my complaint.

If Thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss ; * O Lord, who may abide it ?

For there is mercy with Thee ; * therefore shalt Thou be feared.

I look for the Lord ; my soul doth wait for Him ; * in His word is my trust.

My soul fleeth unto the Lord * before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.

O Israel, trust in the Lord ; for with the Lord there is mercy ; * and with Him is plenteous redemption.

And He shall redeem Israel * from all his sins.

PSALM CXLII.

I CRIED unto the Lord with my voice ; * yea, even unto the Lord did I make my supplication.

I poured out my complaints before Him, * and shewed Him of my trouble.

When my spirit was in heaviness Thou knewest my path ; * in the way wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me.

I looked also upon my right hand, * and saw there was no man that would know me.

I had no place to flee unto ; * and no man cared for my soul.

I cried unto Thee, O Lord, and said, * Thou art my hope, and my portion in the land of the living.

Consider my complaint ; * for I am brought very low.

O deliver me from my persecutors ; * for they are too strong for me.

Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks unto Thy Name ; * which thing if Thou wilt grant me, then shall the righteous resort unto my company.

ANTHEM. Turn Thee, O Lord, and deliver my soul ;
O save me for Thy mercy's sake.

THE LESSON.

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Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father.

V. O Lord, hear our prayer.

R. And let our cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray.

¶ *Then is said the Collect for the day, and after that,—*

V. O Lord, hear our prayer.

R. And let our cry come unto Thee.

V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

V. May the Divine assistance ever remain with us.

R. And with our absent brethren.

V. May the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

R. Amen.

Vespers.

The Evensong of the Church of England.

¶ *When this Office is said in any place other than a Church or Chapel, it beginneth by the saying of the Lord's Prayer silently; after which in a loud voice is said,—*

O Lord, open Thou our lips.

And so the Office continueth until the third Collect, for aid against all perils, Lighten our darkness, hath been said; then follow only the Anthem and Benediction.

Compline.

BENEDICTION.

MAY the Almighty Lord grant us a quiet night,
and a perfect end.

R. Amen.

¶ *Then is read a Homily, or some portion of the writings of a Father or Doctor of the Church, or the Life of a Saint, at the discretion of the President, or else this Short Lesson, which here followeth :—*

THE SHORT LESSON. 1 S. Peter, v. 8, 9.

BRETHREN, be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about seeking whom he may devour: whom resist, stedfast in the faith. But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

R. Thanks be to God.

PRES. Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

R. Who hath made heaven and earth.

V. Turn us, O God, our Saviour.

R. And let Thine anger cease from us.

V. Come to our aid, O God.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father.

PSALM IV.

HEAR me when I call, O God of my righteousness,*
Thou hast set me at liberty when I was in trouble;
have mercy upon me, and hearken unto my prayer.

O ye sons of men, how long will ye blaspheme Mine honour,* and have such pleasure in vanity, and seek after leasing?

Know this also, that the Lord hath chosen to Himself the man that is godly: * when I call upon the Lord,
He will hear me.

Stand in awe and sin not ; * commune with your own heart, and in your chamber, and be still.

Offer the sacrifice of righteousness, * and put your trust in the Lord.

There be many that say, * Who will show us any good ?

Lord, lift Thou up * the light of Thy countenance upon us.

Thou hast put gladness in my heart, * since the time that their corn, and wine, and oil, increased.

I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest ; * for it is Thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

PSALM XCI.

WHOSO dwelleth under the defence of the most High, * shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

I will say unto the Lord, Thou art my hope, and my strong hold ; * my God, in Him will I trust.

For He shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter, * and from the noisome pestilence.

He shall defend thee under His wings, and thou shalt be safe under His feathers ; * His faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

Thou shalt not be afraid for any terror by night, * nor for the arrow that flieth by day ;

For the pestilence that walketh in darkness, * nor for the sickness that destroyeth in the noon-day.

A thousand shall fall beside thee, and ten thousand at thy right hand ; * but it shall not come nigh thee.

Yea, with thine eyes shalt thou behold, * and see the reward of the ungodly.

For Thou, Lord, art my hope : * Thou hast set Thine house of defence very high.

There shall no evil happen unto thee, * neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

*For He shall give His angels charge over thee, * to keep thee in all thy ways.*

They shall bear thee in their hands, * that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.

Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder ; * the young lion and the dragon shalt thou tread under thy feet.

Because he hath set his love upon Me, therefore will I deliver him ; * I will set him up, because he hath known My Name.

He shall call upon Me, and I will hear him ; * yea, I am with him in trouble ; I will deliver him, and bring him to honour.

With long life will I satisfy him, * and show him My salvation.

PSALM CXXXIV.

BEHOLD now, praise the Lord, * all ye servants of the Lord.

Ye that by night stand in the house of the Lord, * even in the courts of the house of our God.

Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, * and praise the Lord.

The Lord that made heaven and earth, * give thee blessing out of Sion.

ANTHEM. I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest ; for it is Thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

THE HYMN.

(*For which see the HYMNAL.*)

THE LESSON.

(*For the Lesson see the Second Part of this Manual.*)

V. Let our prayer come up before Thee, O Lord.

R. Even as the incense in Thy sight.

V. Into Thy hands I commend my spirit ;

R. Into Thy hands I commend my spirit ; for Thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, Thou God of truth.

V. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of an eye.

R. Hide us under the shadow of Thy wings.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father.

V. O Lord, hear our prayer.

R. And let our cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray.

¶ *Then is said the Prayer for the Guild, which varies according to the day of the week, as follows;—*

SUNDAY.

UNTO Thee, O Lord, do we pour out the desire of our hearts, for ourselves and all the brethren and sisters of this Guild, praying Thee to hear the voice of our crying, and to perform our petitions. Be Thou, O Lord, our most ready Helper in all good works, our speedy Deliverer in dangers. Drive from us all hostile deceits, and destroy all evil within us. Make Thou the right way ever sweeter to us. Let Thy longsuffering lead us on to amendment: receive our prayers: forgive our offences: fill us with faith: nourish us with Thy grace: protect us by Thy mercy: take away our adversity, and grant to us prosperity. Let us possess in this world the testimony of good works, the gift of chastity, the habit of charity, the warmth of holy love; and in that which is to come, grant us to have peace, and to dwell with the holy angels in Thy glorious kingdom: for Thy mercy's sake, O Lord. Amen.

MONDAY.

GRACIOUSLY hear our supplications, O Lord; and let Thy blessing rest continually upon this Guild of Saint Alban the Martyr; that those things only may be undertaken, which are according to Thy will; and that Thy glory, and the good of Thy Church may be always sought. We ask this in the Name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

TUESDAY.

LOOK down upon this Guild of Saint Alban, we beseech Thee, O Lord; and grant unto us Thy heavenly light, that we may ever see clearly what we ought to do; and amidst all dangers and difficulties, give us grace to persevere; so that in this life we may perform Thy blessed will, and finally obtain everlasting happiness in the life to come; through the satisfaction of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Amen.

WEDNESDAY.

O LORD, Who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men, bless this Guild of Saint Alban to which we belong; that all its affairs may be administered with wisdom and prudence, zeal and discretion, and in entire subservience to Thy holy will. Let all passion, and prejudice, and self-will be far from us; and grant that in all we do, we may be intent on promoting Thy glory, the extension of Thy Church, and our own salvation: O Lord, hear our prayer, for the sake of Jesus Christ. Amen.

THURSDAY.

O GOD, without Whose help and protection the builder buildeth, and the watchman waketh but in vain; assist us by Thy Holy Spirit in all that we undertake for Thy greater glory, and prosper Thou the work of our hands. Defend us against all the designs of wicked men, and all assaults of evil spirits; and grant that we, and all our fellow-members of this Guild, having humbly laboured in Thy service here, may receive hereafter the reward of an abiding work; through Thy mercy, Who livest, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

FRIDAY.

O LORD Jesu Christ, Who [hast chosen this house for Thy service, and for the keeping of Thy com-

mandments, and] hast permitted this congregation to assemble for the praise of Thy Holy Name: grant unto us peace and safety, health and concord; let our superiors act according to Thy will, fearing Thee, and loving us with all true charity. Keep us, O Lord, from all grave offences and scandals, and from all disturbances of the devil. Give us the help of Thy holy angels from the heavens, that they may protect and defend us; and let not our souls suffer loss. O Lord Jesu Christ, look not upon our offences, but give us help; for Thou knowest our necessities, O Saviour of the world, Who livest and reignest, God, throughout all ages. Amen.

SATURDAY.

O GOD, the fountain of all wisdom, power, and goodness; mercifully direct, preserve, and help, this Guild of Saint Alban, devoted to the service of Thy Church: unite all the members thereof in perfect concord; give them grace to keep the faith once delivered to the saints, and to lead holy and unspotted lives; enable them to aid the bishops and pastors of Thy church in every good work; and grant that, having fought a good fight on earth, they may finish their course in peace, and be found meet to join the company of their brethren in heaven: through the merits of Jesus Christ. Amen.

¶ *Then are said the Collect for the day and some of the Prayers authorised for the use of the Guild, concluding with this which here followeth;—*

VISIT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, this dwelling, and drive far from it all snares of the enemy; let Thy holy angels dwell within it and keep us in peace, and let Thy blessing be ever upon us; through Jesus Christ Thy Son, Who, with Thee, liveth and reigneth, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

V. O Lord, hear our prayer.

R. And let our cry come unto Thee.

V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

V. May the Divine assistance ever remain with us.

R. And with our absent brethren.

* V. Let us pray for our founder and benefactors,
and those who pray for us.

R. Reward them, O Lord, with everlasting life.

V. May the souls of the faithful, through the mercy
of God, rest in peace.

R. Amen.

MAY the Almighty and Merciful Lord, Father, Son,
and Holy Ghost, bless and preserve us.
Amen.

** This Verse and Response are said on Sundays only.*

THE CANONICAL HOURS

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PART II.

CONTAINING
THE PROPER PSALMS AND ANTHEMS,
WITH THE
LESSONS, VERSICLES, RESPONSES,
AND
COLLECTS,
THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

1775



THE FIRST WEEK IN ADVENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM XCIV.

O LORD God, to Whom vengeance belongeth,*
Thou God, to Whom vengeance belongeth, show
Thyself.

Arise, Thou Judge of the world,* and reward the
proud after their deserving.

Lord, how long shall the ungodly,* how long shall
the ungodly triumph?

How long shall all wicked doers speak so disdain-
fully,* and make such proud boasting?

They smite down Thy people, O Lord,* and trouble
Thine heritage.

They murder the widow, and the stranger,* and put
the fatherless to death.

And yet they say, Tush, the Lord shall not see,*
neither shall the God of Jacob regard it.

Take heed, ye unwise among the people,* O ye fools,
when will ye understand?

He that planteth the ear, shall He not hear? * Or
He that made the eye, shall He not see?

Or He that nutureth the heathen,* it is He that
teacheth man knowledge, shall not He punish?

The Lord knoweth the thoughts of man,* that they
are but vain.

BLESSED is the man whom Thou chastenest, O Lord, * and teachest him in Thy law.

That Thou mayest give him patience in time of adversity, * until the pit be digged up for the ungodly.

For the Lord will not fail His people, * neither will He forsake His inheritance.

Until righteousness turn again unto judgment, * all such as are true in heart shall follow it.

Who will rise up with me against the wicked, * or who will take my part against the evil-doers?

If the Lord had not helped me, * it had not failed, but my soul had been put to silence.

But when I said, My foot hath slipt, * Thy mercy, O Lord, held me up.

In the multitude of the sorrows that I had in my heart, * Thy comforts have refreshed my soul.

Wilt Thou have any thing to do with the stool of wickedness, * which imagineth mischief as a law?

They gather them together against the soul of the righteous, * and condemn the innocent blood.

But the Lord is my refuge, * and my God is the strength of my confidence.

He shall recompense them their wickedness, and destroy them in their own malice; * yea, the Lord our God shall destroy them.

PSALM XCIX.

THE Lord is King, be the people never so impatient, * He sitteth between the cherubims, be the earth never so unquiet.

The Lord is great in Sion, * and high above all people.

They shall give thanks unto Thy Name, * which is great, wonderful, and holy.

The King's power loveth judgment; Thou hast prepared equity; * Thou hast executed judgment and righteousness in Jacob.

O magnify the Lord our God, * and fall down before His footstool, for He is holy.

Moses and Aaron among His priests, and Samuel among such as call upon His Name; * these called upon the Lord, and He heard them.

He spake unto them out of the cloudy pillar; * for they kept His testimonies, and the law that He gave them.

Thou heardest them, O Lord our God; * Thou forgavest them, O God, and punishedst their own inventions.

O magnify the Lord our God, and worship Him upon His holy hill; * for the Lord our God is holy.

ANTHEM. Behold, the Lord God shall come with strong hand, and His work before Him. He shall feed His flock like a shepherd. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, XXIII. 5.

BEHOLD, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign, and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth. In His days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is His Name whereby He shall be called, **THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS**. Thus saith the Lord, Be ye turned unto Me, and ye shall be saved.

THE COLLECT.

ALmighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which Thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when He shall come again in His *glorious Majesty* to judge both the quick and dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through

Him who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, now and for ever. Amen.

¶ *This Collect is to be repeated every day, with the other Collects in Advent, until Christmas-Eve.*

At Terce.

ANTHEM. Behold the Lord God shall come, and all His Saints with Him; and, in that day, there shall be a great light. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, XIII. 8, 10.

OWE no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the Law. For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. Love worketh no ill to his neighbour; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law. And Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

V. All the nations shall fear Thy Name, O Lord.

R. And all the kings of the earth, Thy glory.

At Sext.

ANTHEM. Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters; and he that hath no money, come ye, buy and eat. Seek ye the Lord, while He may be found, call upon Him, while He is near. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, XIII. 11, 12.

NOW it is high time to awake out of sleep : for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand ; let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. And Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

V. Remember us, O Lord, with the favour that Thou bearest unto Thy chosen.

R. O visit us with Thy salvation.

At None.

ANTHEM. Strengthen ye the weak hands ; and confirm the feeble knees. Say unto them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not : Behold your God will come and save you. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, XIII. 13, 14.

LET us walk honestly as in the day ; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh to fulfil the lusts thereof. And Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

V. Turn us again, O Lord God of Hosts.

R. Show us the light of Thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

At Compline.

ANTHEM. Come Thou, O Lord, and visit us in peace;
that we may rejoice before Thee with a perfect heart.
Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

LUKE, XXI. 25, 33.

JESUS said unto His disciples, There shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring; men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh. And He spake to them a parable, Behold the fig-tree, and all the trees; when they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand. So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the Kingdom of God is nigh at hand. Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled: heaven and earth shall pass away; but My words shall not pass away. Thou, therefore, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE SECOND WEEK IN ADVENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM LIII.

THE foolish body hath said in his heart, * There is no God.

Corrupt are they, and become abominable in their wickedness; * there is none that doeth good.

God looked down from heaven upon the children of men, * to see if there were any, that would understand, and seek after God.

But they are all gone out of the way, they are altogether become abominable; * there is also none that doeth good, no not one.

Are not they without understanding that work wickedness, * eating up my people as if they would eat bread? they have not called upon God.

They were afraid where no fear was; * for God hath broken the bones of him that besieged thee; thou hast put them to confusion, because God hath despised them.

Oh, that the salvation were given unto Israel out of Sion! * Oh, that the Lord would deliver His people out of captivity!

Then should Jacob rejoice, * and Israel should be right glad.

PSALM CXLIV.

BLESSED be the Lord my strength; * Who teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight;

My Hope and my Fortress, my Castle and Deliverer, my Defender in Whom I trust; * Who subdueth my people that is under me.

Lord, what is man, that Thou hast such respect unto him, * or the son of man, that Thou so regardest him?

Man is like a thing of nought, * his time passeth away like a shadow.

Bow Thy heavens, O Lord, and come down, * touch the mountains, and they shall smoke.

Cast forth Thy lightning, and tear them, * shoot out Thine arrows, and consume them.

Send down Thine hand from above, * deliver me, and take me out of the great waters, from the hand of strange children.

Whose mouth talketh of vanity, * and their right hand is a right hand of wickedness.

I WILL sing a new song unto Thee, O God, * and sing praises unto Thee upon a ten-stringed lute.

Thou hast given victory unto kings, * and hast delivered David Thy servant from the peril of the sword.

Save me, and deliver me from the hand of strange children, * whose mouth talketh of vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of iniquity.

That our sons may grow up as the young plants, * and that our daughters may be as the polished corners of the temple.

That our garners may be full and plenteous with all manner of store, * that our sheep may bring forth thousands and ten thousands in our streets.

That our oxen may be strong to labour, that there be no decay, * no leading into captivity, and no complaining in our streets.

Happy are the people that are in such a case, * yea, blessed are the people who have the Lord for their God.

ANTHEM. We have a strong city: salvation will God appoint for walls and bulwarks. Trust ye in the Lord

for ever; for in the Lord JEHOVAH is everlasting strength. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, XXXII. 1, 2.

BEHOLD, a king shall reign in righteousness, and princes shall rule in judgment. And a Man shall be as a hiding place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest; as rivers of water in a dry place, as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land. Thus saith.

THE COLLECT.

BLESSED Lord, Who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience, and comfort of Thy holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which Thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

At Terre.

ANTHEM. Behold the Lord God shall appear: He will not deceive. Though He delay, expect Him; for He shall come, and will not tarry. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

S. JAMES, v. 7, 9.

BE patient, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. Be ye also patient; *stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.* *Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest*

ye be condemned : behold, the judge standeth before the door. But Thou.

V. All the nations shall fear Thy Name, O Lord.

R. And all the kings of the earth, Thy glory.

At Sept.

ANTHEM. Ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace. The mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing; and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. For the LORD, the RULER, shall come in His eternal Kingdom. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, XV. 4, 7.

WHATSOEVER things were written aforetime, were written for our learning; that we through patience, and comfort of the Scriptures, might have hope. Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be like-minded one toward another, according to Christ Jesus; that ye may with one mind, and one mouth, glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Wherefore receive ye one another, as Christ also received us, to the glory of God. And Thou.

V. Remember us, O Lord, with the favour that Thou bearest unto Thy chosen.

R. O visit us with Thy salvation.

At None.

ANTHEM. Behold, our LORD shall come with power; *and He shall enlighten the eyes of His servants.* Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, xv. 8, 13.

JESUS Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made unto the fathers : And that the Gentiles might glorify God for His mercy ; as it is written, For this cause I will confess to Thee among the Gentiles, and sing unto Thy Name. And again he saith, Rejoice, ye Gentiles, with His people. And again, Praise the Lord, all ye Gentiles, and laud Him, all ye people. And again, Esaias saith, There shall be a root of Jesse, and He that shall rise to reign over the Gentiles, in Him shall the Gentiles trust. Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost. And Thou.

V. Turn us again, O Lord God of Hosts.

R. Show the light of Thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

 At Compline.

ANTHEM. Come Thou, O Lord, and visit us in peace ; that we may rejoice before Thee with a perfect heart. Alleluia.

¶ *When the Saturday in this week falleth upon the 16th day of the month, the Greater Anthem, O wisdom, is sung instead of the foregoing.*

THE LESSON.

DANIEL, vii. 9, 10, 13, 14.

DANIEL spake, and said,—I saw in my vision by night, and beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of Days did sit, Whose garment was

white as snow, and the hair of His head like the pure wool : His throne was like the fiery flame, and His wheels as burning fire : a fiery stream issued and came forth from before Him : thousand thousands ministered unto Him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him. And behold, One like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of Days, and they brought Him near before Him : and there was given Him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve Him : His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His kingdom that which shall not be destroyed. Thus saith.

THE THIRD WEEK IN ADVENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM XLII.

LIKE as the hart desireth the water-brooks ; * so longeth my soul after Thee, O God.

My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God ; * when shall I come to appear before the presence of God ?

My tears have been my meat day and night ; * while they daily say unto me, Where is now thy God ?

Now when I think thereupon, I pour out my heart by myself ; * for I went with the multitude, and brought them forth into the house of God ;

In the voice of praise and thanksgiving ; * among such as keep holy-day.

Why art thou so full of heaviness, O my soul ? * and why art thou so disquieted within me ?

Put thy trust in God ; * for I will yet give Him thanks for the help of His countenance.

My God, my soul is vexed within me ; * therefore will I remember Thee concerning the land of Jordan, and the little hill of Hermon.

One deep calleth another, because of the noise of the water-pipes ; * all Thy waves and storms are gone over me.

The Lord hath granted His loving-kindness in the day-time ; * and in the night-season did I sing of Him, and *made my prayer unto the God of my life.*



will think upon Rahab and Babylon * with them now me.

old ye the Philistines also, * and they of Tyre, the Morians; lo, there was He born.

l of Sion it shall be reported that He was born in and the most High shall stablish her.

Lord shall rehearse it when He writeth up the * that He was born there.

singers also and trumpeters shall He rehearse. * y fresh springs shall be in Thee.

EM. Rejoice with great joy, O Jerusalem; for thy rior shall come unto thee. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, XL. 1—5.

MFORT ye, comfort ye My people, saith your od. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her ty is pardoned: for she hath received of the Lord's double for all her sins. The voice of him that in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, straight in the desert a highway for our God. r valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hall be made low: and the crooked shall be made ht, and the rough places plain. And the glory of ord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it er: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it. saith.

THE COLLECT.

LORD Jesu Christ, Who at Thy first coming didst send Thy messenger to prepare Thy way before ; Grant that the ministers and stewards of Thy ries may likewise so prepare and make ready Thy by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the *of the just*, that at Thy second coming to judge

the world we may be found an acceptable people in Thy sight, Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

At Terre.

ANTHEM. I will give salvation in Sion, and My glory in Jerusalem. *Alleluia.*

THE LESSON.

2 PETER, III. 2—7.

BE mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour: Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, and saying, Where is the promise of His coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation. For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water: whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished: but the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men. But Thou.

V. All the nations shall fear Thy Name, O Lord.

R. And all the kings of the earth, Thy glory.

At Sept.

ANTHEM. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low; and the

crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain. Come Thou, O Lord, and tarry not. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

2 PETER, III. 8—10.

BELOVED, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. But Thou.

V. Remember us, O Lord, with the favour that Thou bearest unto Thy chosen.

R. O visit us with Thy salvation.

At None.

ANTHEM. The Lord shall come, and will not tarry. He shall enlighten the dark places of the earth; and will manifest Himself unto all nations. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

2 PETER, III. 11—13.

SEETING then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens *being on fire* shall be dissolved, and the elements shall

melt with fervent heat? Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness. And Thou.

V. Turn us again, O Lord God of Hosts.

R. Show us the light of Thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

At Compline.

ANTHEM. Come Thou, O Lord, and visit us in peace; that we may rejoice before Thee with a perfect heart. Alleluia.

¶ *On and after the 16th day of December, one of the Greater Anthems is sung, instead of the foregoing.*

THE LESSON.

LUKE, III. 1—6.

NOW in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Cæsar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of Iturea and of the region of Trachonitis, and Lysanias the tetrarch of Abilene, Annas and Caiaphas being the high priests; the word of God came unto John the son of Zacharias in the wilderness. And he came into all the country about Jordan, preaching the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins; as it is written in the book of the words of Esaias the prophet, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make His paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be brought low; and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways shall be *made smooth*; and all flesh shall see the salvation of *God*. And Thou.

THE FOURTH WEEK IN ADVENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM LXXXIX.

MY song shall be alway of the loving-kindness of the Lord ; * with my mouth will I ever be shewing Thy truth from one generation to another.

For I have said, Mercy shall be set up for ever ; * Thy truth shalt Thou stablish in the heavens.

I have made a covenant with My Chosen ; * I have sworn unto David My Servant ;

Thy seed will I stablish for ever ; * and set up Thy throne from one generation to another.

O Lord, the very heavens shall praise Thy wondrous works ; * and Thy truth in the congregation of the saints.

For who is he among the clouds ; * that shall be compared unto the Lord ?

And what is he among the gods ; * that shall be like unto the Lord ?

God is very greatly to be feared in the council of the saints ; * and to be had in reverence of all them that are round about Him.

O LORD God of hosts, who is like unto Thee ? * Thy truth, most mighty Lord, is on every side.

Thou rulest the raging of the sea ; * Thou stillest the waves thereof when they arise.

Thou hast subdued Egypt, and destroyed it ; * Thou hast *scattered* Thine enemies abroad with Thy mighty *arm*.

The heavens are Thine, the earth also is Thine ; *
Thou hast laid the foundation of the round world, and
all that therein is.

Thou hast made the north and the south ; * Tabor
and Hermon shall rejoice in Thy Name.

Thou hast a mighty arm ; * strong is Thy hand, and
high is Thy right hand.

Righteousness and equity are the habitation of Thy
seat ; * mercy and truth shall go before Thy face.

Blessed is the people, O Lord, that can rejoice in
Thee ; * they shall walk in the light of Thy countenance.

Their delight shall be daily in Thy Name ; * and in
Thy righteousness shall they make their boast.

For Thou art the glory of their strength ; * and in
Thy loving-kindness Thou shalt lift up our horns.

For the Lord is our defence ; * the Holy One of
Israel is our King.

THOU spakest sometime in visions unto Thy saints,
and saidst, * I have laid help upon One that is
mighty ; I have exalted One chosen out of the people.

I have found David My Servant ; * with My holy oil
have I anointed Him.

My hand shall hold Him fast : * and My arm shall
strengthen Him.

The enemy shall not be able to do Him violence ; *
the son of wickedness shall not hurt Him.

I will smite down His foes before His face ; * and
plague them that hate Him.

My truth also and My mercy shall be with Him ; *
and in My Name shall His horn be exalted.

I will set His dominion also in the sea ; * and His
right hand in the floods.

He shall call Me, Thou art My Father, * My God,
and My strong salvation.

And I will make Him my First-born ; * higher than
the kings of the earth.

My mercy will I keep for Him for evermore ; * and my covenant shall stand fast with Him.

His seed also will I make to endure for ever ; * and His throne as the days of heaven.

But if His children forsake My law ; * and walk not in My judgments ;

If they break My statutes, and keep not My commandments ; * I will visit their offences with the rod, and their sin with scourges.

Nevertheless, My loving-kindness will I not utterly take from Him ; * nor suffer My truth to fail.

My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of My lips ; * I have sworn once by My holiness, that I will not fail David.

His seed shall endure for ever ; * and His seat is like as the sun before Me.

He shall stand fast for evermore as the moon ; * and as the Faithful Witness in heaven.

ANTHEM. Behold the Desire of all nations shall come ; and He shall fill the house of the Lord with His glory. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LXII. 1, 2.

FOR Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth. And the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory : and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the Lord shall name. Thus saith.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, raise up (we pray Thee) Thy power, and *come among us, and with great might succour us ;*

that whereas, through our sins and wickedness, we are sore let and hindered in running the race that is set before us, Thy bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through the satisfaction of Thy Son our Lord, to Whom with Thee and the Holy Ghost be honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

At Terre.

ANTHEM. Rejoice and be glad, O daughter of Sion; for behold, I come; and I will dwell in the midst of thee, saith the Lord. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

PHILIPPIANS, IV. 4—7.

REJOICE in the Lord alway: and again I say, Rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. And Thou.

V. All the nations shall fear Thy Name, O Lord.

R. And all the kings of the earth, Thy glory.

At Sept.

ANTHEM. Behold, the King cometh, the Lord of all the earth; and He shall break the yoke of our captivity. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

EPHESIANS, VI. 10—13.

FINALLY, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. And Thou.

V. Remember us, O Lord, with the favour that Thou bearest unto Thy chosen.

R. O visit us with Thy salvation.

At None.

ANTHEM. Thine Almighty Word, O Lord, cometh from the royal thrones. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

EPHESIANS, VI. 14—18.

STAND therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints. And Thou.

V. Turn us again, O Lord God of Hosts.

R. Show us the light of Thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

At Compline.

ANTHEM. *One of the Greater Anthems, according to the day of the month.*

THE LESSON.

REVELATION, XIX. 11—16.

I SAW heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and He that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He doth judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns; and He had a Name written, that no man knew, but He Himself. And He was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and His Name is called The Word of God. And the armies which were in heaven followed Him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. And out of His mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it He should smite the nations: and He shall rule them with a rod of iron: and He treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And He hath on His vesture and on His thigh a Name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS. And Thou.

THE GREATER ANTHEMS.

DECEMBER 16.

O Wisdom, Who didst come forth from the mouth of the Most High; reaching from end to end, mightily and sweetly ordering all things; Come Thou, and teach us the way of understanding.

DECEMBER 17.

O Adonai, Captain of the house of Israel; Thou Who appearedst to Moses in the fire of the burning bush; Who gavest the law to him in Sinai: Come Thou, and redeem us with Thine outstretched arm.

DECEMBER 18.

O Root of Jesse, Who standest for an ensign unto the people; before Whom kings shall close their lips, unto Whom the Gentiles shall make supplication: Come Thou to deliver us,—now no longer tarry.

DECEMBER 19.

O Key of David, and Sceptre of the house of Israel; Who openest and no man shutteth, Who shuttest and no man openeth: Come Thou, and bring forth from the prison-house him that is bound, sitting in darkness and in the shadow of death.

DECEMBER 20.

O Day-spring from on high, Brightness of eternal light, Sun of righteousness: Come Thou, and shine *upon them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death.*

DECEMBER 21.

O King of all the nations, and their desire ; chosen Head-stone of the corner, Who makest both one : Come Thou, and save Thy creatures, whom Thou hast fashioned from the dust of the earth.

DECEMBER 22.

O Emanuel, our King and Law-giver ; the Expectation of all nations, and their Saviour : Come Thou, and deliver us, O Lord our God.

DECEMBER 23.

O Shepherd of Israel, Lord over the house of David, Whose goings forth have been of old, even from everlasting : Come Thou, and feed Thy people in Thy strength, and rule them in equity and judgment.

CHRISTMAS EVE,

DECEMBER 24.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PART OF PSALM LXXXIX.

LORD, how long wilt Thou hide Thyself, for ever ? *
and shall Thy wrath burn like fire ?

O remember how short my time is ; * wherefore hast
Thou made all men for nought ?

What man is he that liveth, and shall not see death ? *
and shall he deliver his soul from the hand of hell ?

Lord, where are Thy old loving-kindnesses, * which
Thou swarest unto David in Thy truth ?

Remember, Lord, the rebuke that Thy servants
have ; * and how I do bear in my bosom the rebukes of
many people ;

Wherewith Thine enemies have blasphemed Thee,
and slandered the footsteps of Thine Anointed. *
Praised be the Lord for evermore. Amen, and Amen.

PSALM XC.

LORD, Thou hast been our refuge : * from one
generation to another.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the
earth and the world were made ; * Thou art God from
everlasting, and world without end.

Thou turnest man to destruction ; * again Thou
sayest, Come again, ye children of men.

For a thousand years in Thy sight are but as yester-
day ; * seeing that is past as a watch in the night.

As soon as Thou scatterest them they are even as a sleep, * and fade away suddenly like the grass.

In the morning it is green, and groweth up ; * but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered.

For we consume away in Thy displeasure, * and are afraid at Thy wrathful indignation.

Thou hast set our misdeeds before Thee : * and our secret sins in the light of Thy countenance.

For when Thou art angry all our days are gone : * we bring our years to an end, as it were a tale that is told.

The days of our age are threescore years and ten, and though men be so strong that they come to fourscore years, * yet is their strength then but labour and sorrow ; so soon passeth it away, and we are gone.

But who regardeth the power of Thy wrath ? * for even thereafter as a man feareth, so is Thy displeasure.

So teach us to number our days ; * that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Turn Thee again, O Lord, at the last ; * and be gracious unto Thy servants.

O satisfy us with Thy mercy, and that soon ; * so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

Comfort us again now after the time that Thou hast plagued us ; * and for the years wherein we have suffered adversity.

Shew Thy servants Thy work ; * and their children Thy glory.

And the glorious Majesty of the Lord our God be upon us ; * prosper Thou the work of our hands upon us, O prosper Thou our handy-work.

PSALM LXXXV.

LORD, Thou art become gracious unto Thy land ; *
Thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.

*Thou hast forgiven the offence of Thy people ; * and covered all their sins.*

Thou hast taken away all Thy displeasure ; * and turned Thyself from Thy wrathful indignation.

Turn us then, O God our Saviour ; * and let Thine anger cease from us.

Wilt Thou be displeased at us for ever ? * and wilt Thou stretch out Thy wrath from one generation to another ?

Wilt Thou not turn again, and quicken us ; * that Thy people may rejoice in Thee ?

Shew us Thy mercy, O Lord ; * and grant us Thy salvation.

I will hearken what the Lord God will say concerning me ; * for He shall speak peace unto His people, and to His saints, that they turn not again.

For His salvation is nigh them that fear Him ; * that glory may dwell in our land.

Mercy and truth are met together ; * righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Truth shall flourish out of the earth ; * and righteousness hath looked down from heaven.

Yea, the Lord shall shew loving-kindness ; * and our land shall give her increase.

Righteousness shall go before Him ; * and He shall direct His going in the way.

ANTHEM. This day know ye that the Lord shall come ; and in the morning shall ye see His glory.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LIX. 15—20.

TRUTH faileth ; and he that departeth from evil maketh himself a prey : and the Lord saw it, and it displeased Him that there was no judgment. And He saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no intercessor : therefore His arm brought *salvation unto Him* ; and His righteousness, it sustained.

Him. For He put on righteousness as a breast-plate, and an helmet of salvation upon His head ; and He put on the garments of vengeance for clothing, and was clad with zeal as a cloke. According to their deeds, accordingly He will repay, fury to His adversaries, recompence to His enemies ; to the islands He will repay recompence. So shall they fear the Name of the Lord from the west, and His glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him. And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the Lord. Thus saith.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, Who dost permit us to rejoice in the yearly expectation of the Feast of our Redemption ; Grant that we, who thankfully receive Thine only-begotten Son as our Redeemer, may without fear behold the same Lord Jesus Christ coming, the second time, as our Judge ; Who liveth with Thee, O Father, and with the Holy Spirit, ever one God. *Amen.*

At Terre.

ANTHEM. Tomorrow shall your Salvation come, saith the Lord God of Hosts.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, XXVI. 4—8.

TRUST ye in the Lord for ever ; for in the Lord **JEHOVAH** is everlasting strength : for He bringeth *down them that dwell on high ; the lofty city, He layeth it low ; He layeth it low, even to the ground ;*

bringeth it even to the dust. The foot shall tread down, even the feet of the poor, and the steps of the y. The way of the just is uprightness : Thou, most right, dost weigh the path of the just. Yea, in the of Thy judgments, O Lord, have we waited for ; the desire of our soul is to Thy Name, and to the remembrance of Thee. Thus saith.

This day know ye that the Lord will come.
And in the morning shall ye see His glory.

At Ser.

HEM. Know ye that the Kingdom of God is nigh.
Truly it shall not tarry.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, XXVI. 9—12.

WITH my soul have I desired Thee in the night ;
yea, with my spirit within me will I seek Thee :
for when Thy judgments are in the earth, the
inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness. Let
us be shewed to the wicked, yet will he not learn
righteousness : in the land of uprightness will he deal
deceitfully, and will not behold the majesty of the Lord.
When Thy hand is lifted up, they will not see :
they shall see, and be ashamed for their envy at the
end ; yea, the fire of Thine enemies shall devour them.
Thou wilt ordain peace for us : for Thou also hast
lighted all our works in us. Thus saith.

Tomorrow shall the iniquity of the earth be
brought out.

And the Saviour of the world shall reign over us.

At None.

ANTHEM. Lift up your heads; for lo, your Redemption draweth nigh.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, XXV. 6—10.

IN this mountain shall the Lord of hosts make unto all people a feast of fat things, a feast of wines on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wines on the lees well refined. And He will destroy in this mountain the face of the covering cast over all people, and the vail that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces; and the rebuke of His people shall He take away from off all the earth: for the Lord hath spoken it. And it shall be said in that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for Him, and He will save us: this is the Lord; we have waited for Him, we will be glad and rejoice in His salvation. For in this mountain shall the hand of the Lord rest. Thus saith.

V. Be ye stedfast.

R. And ye shall see the help of the Lord upon you.

At Compline.

ANTHEM. Behold a virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.

THE LESSON.

MATTHEW, I. 18—21.

WHEN Mary the mother of Jesus was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found

with child of the Holy Ghost. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away privily. But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a Son, and thou shalt call His name JESUS: for He shall save His people from their sins. And Thou.

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD,
OR
THE BIRTH-DAY OF CHRIST,
COMMONLY CALLED
Christmas Day,
DECEMBER 25.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM II.

WHY do the heathen so furiously rage together? *
and why do the people imagine a vain thing?

The kings of the earth stand up, and the rulers take
counsel together * against the Lord, and against His
Anointed.

Let us break their bonds asunder; * and cast away
their cords from us.

He that dwelleth in heaven shall laugh them to
scorn; * the Lord shall have them in derision.

Then shall He speak unto them in His wrath, * and
vex them in His sore displeasure.

Yet have I set my King * upon My holy hill of
Sion.

I will preach the law, whereof the Lord hath said
unto Me; * Thou art My Son, this day have I begotten
Thee.

Desire of Me, and I shall give Thee the heathen for
Thine inheritance; * and the utmost parts of the earth
for Thy possession.

Thou shalt bruise them with a rod of iron,* and break them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

Be wise now therefore, O ye kings;* be learned, ye that are judges of the earth.

Serve the Lord in fear;* and rejoice unto Him with reverence.

Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, and so ye perish from the right way;* if His wrath be kindled, (yea, but a little,) blessed are all they that put their trust in Him.

PSALM LXXII.

GIVE the King Thy judgments, O God:* and Thy righteousness unto the King's Son.

Then shall He judge Thy people according unto right,* and defend the poor.

The mountains also shall bring peace,* and the little hills righteousness unto the people.

He shall keep the simple folk by their right,* defend the children of the poor, and punish the wrong doer.

They shall fear Thee, as long as the sun and moon endureth,* from one generation to another.

He shall come down like the rain into a fleece of wool,* even as the drops that water the earth.

In His time shall the righteous flourish,* yea, and abundance of peace, so long as the moon endureth.

His dominion shall be also from the one sea to the other,* and from the flood unto the world's end.

They that dwell in the wilderness shall kneel before Him;* His enemies shall lick the dust.

The kings of Tharsis and of the isles shall give presents,* the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts.

All kings shall fall down before Him;* all nations shall do Him service.

For He shall deliver the poor when he crieth; the needy also, and him that hath no helper.*

He shall be favourable to the simple and needy ; * and shall preserve the souls of the poor.

He shall deliver their souls from falsehood and wrong ; * and dear shall their blood be in His sight.

He shall live, and unto Him shall be given of the gold of Arabia ; * prayer shall be made ever unto Him, and daily shall He be praised.

There shall be an heap of corn in the earth, high upon the hills ; * His fruit shall shake like Libanus, and shall be green in the city like grass upon the earth.

His Name shall endure for ever ; His Name shall remain under the sun among the posterities, * which shall be blessed through Him ; and all the heathen shall praise Him.

Blessed be the Lord God, even the God of Israel ; * Which only doeth wondrous things ;

And blessed be the Name of His Majesty for ever ; * and all the earth shall be filled with His Majesty. Amen, Amen.

PSALM CVIII.

O GOD, my heart is ready, my heart is ready ; * I will sing and give praise with the best member that I have.

Awake, thou lute and harp ; * I myself will awake right early.

I will give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, among the people ; I will sing praises unto Thee among the nations.

For Thy mercy is greater than the heavens ; * and Thy truth reacheth unto the clouds.

Set up Thyself, O God, above the heavens ; * and Thy glory above all the earth.

That Thy beloved may be delivered ; * let Thy right hand save them, and hear Thou me.

God hath spoken in His holiness ; I will rejoice therefore, and divide Sichem, and mete out the valley of Succoth.

Gilead is mine, and Manasses is mine ; * Ephraim also is the strength of my head.

Judah is my law-giver, Moab is my wash-pot ; * over Edom will I cast out my shoe ; upon Philistia will I triumph.

Who will lead me into the strong city ? * and who will bring me into Edom ?

Hast not Thou forsaken us, O God ? * and wilt not Thou, O God, go forth with our hosts ?

O help us against the enemy ; * for vain is the help of man.

Through God we shall do great acts ; * and it is He that shall tread down our enemies.

ANTHEM. O Thou that tellest good tidings to Sion, get thee up into the high mountain. O thou that bringest good tidings to Jerusalem, lift up thy voice with strength : Lift it up ; be not afraid : say unto the cities of Judah, BEHOLD YOUR GOD. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

LUKE, II. 1—14.

IT came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Cæsar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judæa, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem ; (because he was of the house and lineage of David :) to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling clothes, and laid Him in a manger ; because there was no room for them in the

inn. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them : and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not : for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, Which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you ; Ye shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. And Thou.

Or, 1 S. JOHN, v. 20.

WE know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know Him that is true, and we are in Him that is true, even in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

ALmighty God, Who hast given us Thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon Him, and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin ; Grant that we being regenerate, and made Thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by Thy Holy Spirit ; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

At Terce.

ANTHEM. This day, a chaste virgin brought forth the Incarnate Word, and yet remained a virgin ; whom

all generations shall call blessed, saying, Blessed art thou among women. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

HEBREWS, I. 1—5.

GOD, Who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son, Whom He hath appointed Heir of all things, by Whom also He made the worlds; Who being the brightness of His glory, and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the Word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high; being made so much better than the angels, as He hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. For unto which of the angels said He at any time, Thou art My Son, this day have I begotten Thee? And again, I will be to Him a Father, and He shall be to Me a Son? And Thou.

V. He cometh forth, as a bridegroom out of his chamber;

R. And rejoiceth as a giant to run his course.

At Sept.

ANTHEM. Rejoice all ye faithful: our Saviour is born into the world. This day hath appeared the Seed of a mighty race. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

HEBREWS, I. 6—12.

WHEN *He bringeth in the First-begotten into the world, He saith, And let all the angels of God*
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worship Him. And of the angels He saith, Who maketh His angels spirits, and His ministers a flame of fire. But unto the Son He saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever ; a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of Thy kingdom. Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity ; therefore God, even Thy God, hath anointed Thee with the oil of gladness above Thy fellows. And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth ; and the heavens are the works of Thine hands : they shall perish, but Thou remainest ; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment ; and as a vesture shalt Thou fold them up, and they shall be changed ; but Thou art the same, and Thy years shall not fail. And Thou.

V. The Word was made flesh ;

R. And dwelt among us.

At None.

ANTHEM. This day, Christ is born ; this day the Saviour appeareth ; this day the angels sing on earth, and archangels rejoice ; this day the saints exulting say, Glory to God in the highest. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

HEBREWS, I. 13, 14, AND II. 1—3.

TO which of the angels said He at any time, Sit on My right hand, until I make Thine enemies Thy footstool ? Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation ? Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip. For if the word spoken by angels was stedfast, and every transgression and *disobedience* received a just recompence of reward ; how *shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation ? But Thou.*

V. He shall call Me ;
R. Thou art My Father.

At Compline.

ANTHEM. Unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given ; and the government shall be upon His shoulder. And His Name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace. And of His kingdom there shall be no end. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

JOHN, I. 1—14.

IN the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him ; and without Him was not any thing made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the Light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by Him, and the world knew Him not. He came unto His own, and His own received Him not. But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His Name : which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the Only-begotten of the Father) full of grace and truth. And Thou.

THE WEEK WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM XIX.

THE heavens declare the glory of God ; * and the firmament sheweth His handy-work.

One day telleth another ; * and one night certifieth another.

There is neither speech nor language ; * but their voices are heard among them.

Their sound is gone out into all lands ; * and their words into the ends of the world.

In them hath He set a tabernacle for the sun ; * which cometh forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a giant to run his course.

It goeth forth from the uttermost part of the heaven, and runneth about unto the end of it again ; * and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

The law of the Lord is an undefiled law, converting the soul ; * the testimony of the Lord is sure, and giveth wisdom unto the simple.

The statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart ; * the commandment of the Lord is pure, and giveth light unto the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is clean, and endureth for ever ; * *the judgments of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.*

More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold; * sweeter also than honey, and the honey-comb.

Moreover, by them is Thy servant taught; * and in keeping of them there is great reward.

Who can tell how oft he offendeth? * O cleanse Thou me from my secret faults.

Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins, lest they get the dominion over me; * so shall I be undefiled, and innocent from the great offence.

Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart; * be always acceptable in Thy sight,
O Lord, * my Strength, and my Redeemer.

PSALM XLV.

MY heart is inditing of a good matter; * I speak of the things which I have made unto the King.

My tongue is the pen * of a ready writer.

Thou art fairer than the children of men; * full of grace are Thy lips, because God hath blessed Thee for ever.

Gird Thee with Thy sword upon Thy thigh, O Thou most Mighty; * according to Thy worship and renown.

Good luck have Thou with Thine honour: * ride on, because of the word of truth, of meekness, and righteousness; and Thy right hand shall teach Thee terrible things.

Thy arrows are very sharp, and the people shall be subdued unto Thee; * even in the midst among the King's enemies.

Thy seat, O God, endureth for ever; * the sceptre of Thy kingdom is a right sceptre.

Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; * wherefore God, even Thy God, hath anointed Thee with the oil of gladness above Thy fellows.

All Thy *garments* smell of myrrh, aloes, and cassia; *
out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made Thee glad.

Kings' daughters were among Thy honourable women ; * upon Thy right hand did stand the queen in a vesture of gold, wrought about with divers colours.

Hearken, O daughter, and consider, incline thine ear ; * forget also thine own people, and thy father's house.

So shall the King have pleasure in thy beauty ; * for He is thy Lord God, and worship thou Him.

And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift ; * like as the rich also among the people shall make their supplication before Thee.

The King's daughter is all glorious within ; * her clothing is of wrought gold.

She shall be brought unto the King in raiment of needle-work ; * the virgins that be her fellows shall bear her company, and shall be brought unto Thee.

With joy and gladness shall they be brought ; * and shall enter into the King's palace.

Instead of thy fathers thou shalt have children ; * whom thou mayest make princes in all lands.

I will remember Thy Name from one generation to another ; * therefore shall the people give thanks unto Thee, world without end.

PSALM CX.

THE Lord said unto my Lord, * Sit Thou on My right hand, until I make Thine enemies Thy footstool.

The Lord shall send the rod of Thy power out of Sion ; * be Thou Ruler, even in the midst among Thine enemies.

In the day of Thy power shall the people offer Thee free-will offerings with an holy worship ; * the dew of Thy birth is of the womb of the morning.

The Lord sware, and will not repent ; * Thou art a *Priest for ever* after the order of Melchisedech.

*The Lord upon Thy right hand * shall wound even kings in the day of His wrath.*

He shall judge among the heathen ; He shall fill the places with the dead bodies ; * and smite in sunder the heads over divers countries.

He shall drink of the brook in the way ; * therefore shall He lift up His head.

ANTHEM. The angel said, Fear not ; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born, this day, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

ZACHARIAH, VIII. 3.

THUS saith the Lord ; I am returned unto Zion, and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem : and Jerusalem shall be called a city of truth ; and the mountain of the Lord of hosts the holy mountain. Thus saith.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, Who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon Him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin ; Grant that we being regenerate, and made Thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by Thy Holy Spirit ; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

At Terre.

ANTHEM. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, Glory to God in the highest and on earth *peace, good will toward men.* Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

GALATIANS, IV. 1—3.

NOW I say, that the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all; but is under tutors and governors, until the time appointed of the father. Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world. But Thou.

V. He cometh forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber;

R. And rejoiceth as a giant to run his course.

At Sept.

ANTHEM. Then the shepherds said, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known to us. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

GALATIANS, IV. 4, 5.

WHEN the fulness of time was come, God sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. And Thou.

V. The Word was made flesh;

R. And dwelt among us.

At None.

ANTHEM. And the shepherds came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a

manger. And they returned glorifying and praising God. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

GALATIANS, IV. 6, 7.

BECAUSE ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ. And Thou.

V. He shall call Me;

R. Thou art My Father.

At Compline.

ANTHEM. The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us; and we beheld His glory, the glory of the Only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

JOHN, I. 1—14.

IN the beginning was the Word. *As on Christmas Day.*

THE CIRCUMCISION OF CHRIST,

JANUARY 1.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM CX.

THE Lord said unto my Lord, * Sit Thou on My right hand, until I make Thine enemies Thy footstool.

The Lord shall send the rod of Thy power out of Sion ; * be Thou Ruler, even in the midst among Thine enemies.

In the day of Thy power shall the people offer Thee free-will offerings with an holy worship ; * the dew of Thy birth is of the womb of the morning.

The Lord sware, and will not repent ; * Thou art a Priest for ever after the order of Melchisedech.

The Lord upon Thy right hand * shall wound even kings in the day of His wrath.

He shall judge among the heathen ; He shall fill the places with the dead bodies ; * and smite in sunder the heads over divers countries.

He shall drink of the brook in the way ; * therefore shall He lift up His head.

PSALM CXIII.

PRAISE the Lord, ye servants ; * O praise the Name of the Lord.

*Blessed be the Name of the Lord * from this time forth for evermore.*

The Lord's Name is praised * from the rising up of the sun unto the going down of the same.

The Lord is high above all heathen ; * and His glory above the heavens.

Who is like unto the Lord our God, that hath His dwelling so high ; * and yet humbleth Himself to behold the things that are in heaven and earth ?

He taketh up the simple out of the dust ; * and lifteth the poor out of the mire ;

That He may set him with the princes ; * even with the princes of His people.

He maketh the barren woman to keep house ; * and to be a joyful mother of children.

PSALM CXXVII.

EXCEPT the Lord build the house ; * their labour is but lost that build it.

Except the Lord keep the city ; * the watchman waketh but in vain.

It is but lost labour that ye haste to rise up early, and so late take rest, and eat the bread of carefulness ; * for so He giveth His beloved sleep.

Lo, children and the fruit of the womb * are an heritage and gift that cometh of the Lord.

Like as the arrows in the hand of the giant ; * even so are the young children.

Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them ; * they shall not be ashamed when they speak with their enemies in the gate.

ANTHEM. When Thou wast wonderfully born of the Virgin, Then were the scriptures fulfilled : as the rain upon the fleece didst Thou descend, that Thou mightest save mankind. We praise Thee, O Lord, our God.

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, IV. 2—4.

THE Lord liveth, in truth, in judgment, and in righteousness; and the nations shall bless themselves in Him, and in Him shall they glory. For thus saith the Lord to the men of Judah and Jerusalem, Break up your fallow ground, and sow not among thorns. Circumcise yourselves to the Lord, and take away the foreskins of your heart, ye men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem: lest My fury come forth like fire, and burn that none can quench it, because of the evil of your doings. Thus saith.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, Who madest Thy blessed Son to be circumcised, and obedient to the law for man; Grant us the true Circumcision of the Spirit; that, our hearts, and all our members, being mortified from all worldly and carnal lusts, we may in all things obey Thy blessed will; through the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

ANTHEM. Behold Mary hath brought forth for us a Saviour; of Whom John spake saying, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sins of the world. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, IV. 8—14.

BLESSED is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin. Cometh this blessedness then upon

the circumcision only, or upon the uncircumcision also? For we say, that faith was reckoned to Abraham for righteousness. How was it then reckoned? when he was in circumcision, or in uncircumcision? Not in circumcision, but in uncircumcision. And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which he had yet being uncircumcised; that he might be the father of all them that believe, though they be not circumcised; that righteousness might be imputed unto them also: And the father of circumcision to them who are not of the circumcision only, but who also walk in the steps of that faith of our father Abraham, which he had being yet uncircumcised. For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, was not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of faith. For if they which are of the law be heirs, faith is made void, and the promise made of none effect. But Thou.

V. Unto us a Child is born.

R. Unto us a Son is given.

At Sept.

ANTHEM. The Root of Jesse hath budded forth; the Star of Jacob hath arisen; a virgin hath brought forth the Saviour. We praise Thee, O Lord our God.

THE LESSON.

COLOSSIANS, II. 8—11.

BEWARE lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. For in Him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.

And ye are complete in Him, Which is the Head of all principality and power: In Whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ. And Thou.

V. The Word was made flesh.

R. And dwelt among us.

At None.

ANTHEM. Behold the Lord the Ruler is come; and the kingdom, and the power, and the empire, are in His hand for ever. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

TITUS, III. 4—7.

AFTER that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; which He shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour; that being justified by His grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life. And Thou.

V. He shall call Me;

R. Thou art My Father.

At Compline.

ANTHEM. In the beginning, and before the worlds, the *Word was God*. He, the Saviour of the world, is *born for us*. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

LUKE, II. 15—21.

AND it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this Child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them. And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the Child, His name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before He was conceived in the womb. And Thou.

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The Epiphany,

OR THE

MANIFESTATION OF CHRIST TO THE GENTILES,

JANUARY 6.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM XXIX.

BRING unto the Lord, O ye mighty, bring young
rams unto the Lord ; * ascribe unto the Lord wor-
ship and strength.

Give the Lord the honour due unto His Name ; *
worship the Lord with holy worship.

It is the Lord, that commandeth the waters ; * it is
the glorious God, that maketh the thunder.

It is the Lord that ruleth the sea ; the voice of the
Lord is mighty in operation ; * the voice of the Lord is
a glorious voice.

The voice of the Lord breaketh the cedar-trees ; *
yea, the Lord breaketh the cedars of Libanus.

He maketh them also to skip like a calf ; * Libanus
also, and Sirion, like a young unicorn.

The voice of the Lord divideth the flames of fire ; the
voice of the Lord shaketh the wilderness ; * yea, the
Lord shaketh the wilderness of Cades.

The voice of the Lord maketh the hinds to bring
forth young, and discovereth the thick bushes ; * in His
temple doth every man speak of His honour.

*The Lord sitteth above the water-flood ; * and the
Lord remaineth a King for ever.*

The Lord shall give strength unto His people ; * the Lord shall give His people the blessing of peace.

PSALM LXXII.

GIVE the King Thy judgments, O God ; * and Thy righteousness unto the King's son.

Then shall He judge Thy people according unto right, * and defend the poor.

The mountains also shall bring peace ; * and the little hills righteousness unto the people.

He shall keep the simple folk by their right ; * defend the children of the poor, and punish the wrong doer.

They shall fear Thee, as long as the sun and moon endureth, * from one generation to another.

He shall come down like the rain into a fleece of wool ; * even as the drops that water the earth.

In His time shall the righteous flourish ; * yea, and abundance of peace, so long as the moon endureth.

His dominion shall be also from the one sea to the other ; * and from the flood unto the world's end.

They that dwell in the wilderness shall kneel before Him ; * His enemies shall lick the dust.

The kings of Tharsis and of the isles shall give presents ; * the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts.

All kings shall fall down before Him ; * all nations shall do Him service.

For He shall deliver the poor when he crieth ; * the needy also, and him that hath no helper.

He shall be favourable to the simple and needy ; * and shall preserve the souls of the poor.

He shall deliver their souls from falsehood and wrong ; * and dear shall their blood be in His sight.

He shall live, and unto Him shall be given of the gold of Arabia ; * prayer shall be made ever unto Him, and daily shall He be praised.

There shall be an heap of corn in the earth, high

upon the hills ; * His fruit shall shake like Libanus, and shall be green in the city like grass upon the earth.

His Name shall endure for ever ; His Name shall remain under the sun among the posterities ; * which shall be blessed through Him ; and all the heathen shall praise Him.

Blessed be the Lord God, even the God of Israel ; * Which only doeth wondrous things ;

And blessed be the Name of His Majesty for ever ; * and all the earth shall be filled with His Majesty. Amen, Amen.

PSALM CXVII.

O PRAISE the Lord, all ye heathen ; * praise Him, all ye nations.

For His merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us ; * and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Praise the Lord.

ANTHEM. Arise, shine, O Jerusalem ; thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall walk in thy light. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, XLII. 1—7.

BEHOLD My Servant, whom I uphold ; Mine Elect, in Whom My soul delighteth ; I have put My spirit upon Him ; He shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles. He shall not cry, nor lift up, nor cause His voice to be heard in the street. A bruised reed shall He not break, and the smoking flax shall He not quench : He shall bring forth judgment unto truth. He shall not fail nor be discouraged, till He have set judgment in the earth : and the isles shall wait for His law. Thus saith God the Lord, He that created the heavens, and stretched them out ; He that spread forth the earth, and *that which cometh out of it* ; He that giveth breath unto

the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein : I the Lord have called Thee in righteousness, and will hold Thine hand, and will keep Thee, and give Thee for a covenant of the people, for a Light of the Gentiles ; to open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house. Thus saith.

V. Arise, shine, O Jerusalem, for thy light is come.

R. And the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

V. And the Gentiles shall walk in thy light, and kings in the splendour of thy rising.

R. For the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, Who by the leading of a star didst manifest Thy only-begotten Son to the Gentiles ; Mercifully grant, that we, which know Thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of Thy glorious God-head ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terre.

ANTHEM. The kings of Tharsis and of the Isles shall give presents ; the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts. *Alleluia.*

THE LESSON.

EPHESIANS, III. 1—7.

FOR this cause, I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles ; if ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God, which is given me to you-ward : How that by revelation He made known unto me the mystery (as I wrote afore in few words, whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mys-

tery of Christ) which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto His holy Apostles and Prophets by the Spirit; That the Gentiles should be fellow-heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ, by the Gospel: whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of His power. And Thou.

V. All the earth shall worship Thee;

R. They shall sing of Thee and praise Thy Name,
O Lord.

At Sept.

ANTHEM. All they from Sheba shall come; they shall bring gold and incense; and they shall show forth the praises of the Lord. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

EPHESIANS, III. 8—12.

UNTO me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ; and to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, Who created all things by Jesus Christ: to the intent, that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the Church the manifold wisdom of God, according to the eternal purpose which He purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord: in Whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of Him. And Thou.

V. His Name shall endure for ever.

R. And all the heathen shall praise Him.

At None.

ANTHEM. Unto Christ is given dominion, and glory, and a kingdom; and every people, and nation, and tongue, shall serve Him for ever. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

COLOSSIANS, I. 24—28.

I PAUL rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for His body's sake, which is the Church: whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God; even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to His saints: to whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory: Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus. And Thou.

V. He shall have dominion from sea to sea;

R. And from the river unto the ends of the earth.

At Compline.

ANTHEM. Three gifts the Magi offered unto the Lord, gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. Gold to the great King; frankincense to the true God; myrrh for His burial. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

MATTHEW, II. 1—12.

NOW when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judæa in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came

wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, Where is He that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen His star in the east, and are come to worship Him. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judæa: for thus it is written by the prophet, And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young Child; and when ye have found Him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship Him also. When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young Child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down, and worshipped Him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto Him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way. And Thou.

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THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE
EPIPHANY,
AND THE WEEK FOLLOWING.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM XCVI.

O SING unto the Lord a new song ; * sing unto the Lord all the whole earth.

Sing unto the Lord, and praise His Name ; * be telling of His salvation from day to day.

Declare His honour unto the heathen ; * and His wonders unto all people.

For the Lord is great, and cannot worthily be praised ; * He is more to be feared than all gods.

As for all the gods of the heathen, they are but idols ; * but it is the Lord that made the heavens.

Glory and worship are before Him ; * power and honour are in His sanctuary.

Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people ; * ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.

Ascribe unto the Lord the honour due unto His Name ; * bring presents, and come into His courts.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness ; * let the whole earth stand in awe of Him.

Tell it out among the heathen that the Lord is King ; * and that it is He who hath made the round world so fast that it cannot be moved ; and how that He shall judge the people righteously.

Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad ; *
let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is.

Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it ; * then
shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord.

For He cometh, for He cometh to judge the earth ; *
and with righteousness to judge the world, and the
people with His truth.

PSALM XCVII.

THE Lord is King, the earth may be glad thereof ; *
yea, the multitude of the isles may be glad thereof.

Clouds and darkness are round about Him ; * right-
eousness and judgment are the habitation of His seat.

There shall go a fire before Him ; * and burn up His
enemies on every side.

His lightnings gave shine unto the world ; * the earth
saw it, and was afraid.

The hills melted like wax at the presence of the
Lord ; * at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

The heavens have declared His righteousness : * and
all the people have seen His glory.

Confounded be all they that worship carved images,
and that delight in vain gods ; * worship Him, all ye
gods.

Sion heard of it, and rejoiced ; * and the daughters
of Judah were glad, because of Thy judgments, O
Lord.

For Thou, Lord, art higher than all that are in
the earth ; * Thou art exalted far above all gods.

O ye that love the Lord, see that ye hate the thing
which is evil ; * the Lord preserveth the souls of His
saints ; He shall deliver them from the hand of the
ungodly.

There is sprung up a light for the righteous ; * and
joyful gladness for such as are true-hearted.

*Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous, * and give thanks
for a remembrance of His holiness.*

PSALM CXLVI.

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul; while I live will I praise the Lord; * yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God.

O put not your trust in princes, nor in any child of man; * for there is no help in them.

For when the breath of man goeth forth he shall turn again to his earth; * and then all his thoughts perish.

Blessed is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help; * and whose hope is in the Lord his God;

Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is; * Who keepeth His promise for ever;

Who helpeth them to right that suffer wrong; * Who feedeth the hungry.

The Lord looseth men out of prison; * the Lord giveth sight to the blind.

The Lord helpeth them that are fallen; * the Lord careth for the righteous.

The Lord careth for the strangers; He defendeth the fatherless and widow; * as for the way of the ungodly, He turneth it upside down.

The Lord thy God, O Sion, shall be King for evermore; * and throughout all generations.

ANTHEM. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LI. 1—6.

HEARKEN to Me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the Lord: look unto the rock whence ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged. Look unto Abraham your father, and unto Sarah that bare you: for I called him alone, and blessed him, and increased him. For the Lord shall comfort Zion: *He will comfort all her waste places; and He*

will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the Lord : joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody. Harken unto Me, My people ; and give ear unto Me, O My nation : for a law shall proceed from Me, and I will make My judgment to rest for a light of the people. My righteousness is near ; My salvation is gone forth, and Mine arms shall judge the people ; the isles shall wait upon Me, and on Mine arm shall they trust. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath : for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall wax old like a garment, and they that dwell therein shall die in like manner : but My salvation shall be for ever, and my righteousness shall not be abolished. Thus saith.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee mercifully to receive the prayers of Thy people which call upon Thee ; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

ANTHEM. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, XI. 25—36.

I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of *this mystery*, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits ; that blindness in part is happened to Israel,

until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in. And so all Israel shall be saved : as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob. For this is My covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins. As concerning the gospel, they are enemies for your sakes : but as touching the election, they are beloved for the fathers' sakes. For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance. For as ye in times past have not believed God, yet have now obtained mercy through their unbelief : Even so have these also now not believed, that through your mercy they also may obtain mercy. For God hath concluded them all in unbelief, that He might have mercy upon all. O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God ! how unsearchable are His judgments, and His ways past finding out ! For who hath known the mind of the Lord ? or who hath been His counsellor ? Or who hath first given to Him, and it shall be recompensed unto him again ? For of Him, and through Him, and to Him, are all things : to Whom be glory for ever. Amen. And Thou.

V. All the earth shall worship Thee ;

R. They shall sing of Thee and praise Thy Name.

At Sept.

ANTHEM. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, XII. 1, 2.

I BESEECH you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, *acceptable unto God*, which is your reasonable *service*. And be not conformed to this world ; but be

ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God. And Thou.

- V. His Name shall endure for ever ;
R. And all the heathen shall praise Him.

At None.

ANTHEM. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, XII. 3—5.

FOR I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith. For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office ; so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another. And Thou.

- V. He shall have dominion from sea to sea ;
R. And from the river unto the ends of the earth.

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

LUKE, II. 41—52.

NOW the parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover. And when He was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem, after

the custom of the feast. And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not of it. But they, supposing Him to have been in the company, went a day's journey, and they sought Him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance. And when they found Him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking Him. And it came to pass, that after three days they found Him in the temple sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions. And all that heard Him were astonished at His understanding and answers. And when they saw Him, they were amazed: and His mother said unto Him, Son, why hast Thou thus dealt with us? behold, Thy father and I have sought Thee sorrowing. And He said unto them, How is it that ye sought Me? wist ye not that I must be about My Father's business? And they understood not the saying which He spake unto them. And He went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but His mother kept all these sayings in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom, and stature, and in favour with God and man. And Thou.

THE OCTAVE DAY OF THE EPIPHANY.

¶ *On the Thirteenth Day of January, being the Eighth Day of the EPIPHANY, whether it be a Sunday or not, the 29th, 72nd, and 117th Psalms are sung at Prime (for which see page 96), and the following Anthems, Lessons, and Collect are said in the stead of any other.*

At Prime.

ANTHEM. We glorify Thee, our God and our Redeemer,
Who dost purify the sons of men by the Holy Ghost
and by fire. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, XL. 1—5.

THERE shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: and the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord; and shall make Him of quick understanding in the fear of the Lord: and He shall not judge after the sight of His eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of His ears: but with righteousness shall He judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and He shall smite the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips shall He slay the wicked. And righteousness shall be the girdle of His loins, and faithfulness the girdle of His reins. Thus saith.

THE COLLECT.

O God, Whose Only-begotten Son appeared in the substance of our flesh; Grant that we who acknow-

ledge that He was made like unto us, may be inwardly purified and changed into the image of Him, Who, with Thee, liveth and reigneth, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

At Terce.

ANTHEM. The Saviour cometh unto Baptism, that He, through water, may restore our corrupt nature, and clothe us with a garment of incorruption. *Alleluia.*

THE LESSON.

JOHN, I. 19—28.

THIS is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou? And he confessed, and denied not; but confessed, I am not the Christ. And they asked him, What then? Art thou Elias? And he saith, I am not. Art thou that prophet? And he answered, No. Then said they unto him, Who art thou? that we may give an answer to them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself? He said, I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Esaias. And they which were sent were of the Pharisees. And they asked him, and said unto him, Why baptizest thou then, if thou be not that Christ, nor Elias, neither that prophet? John answered them, saying, I baptize with water: but there standeth One among you, Whom ye know not; He it is, Who coming after me, is preferred before me, Whose shoe's latchet I am not worthy to unloose. These things were done in Bethabara beyond Jordan, where John was baptizing. *And Thou.*

At Sept.

ANTHEM. The Saviour hath crushed the head of the dragon in the waters of Jordan; and hath snatched us all out of his power. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

MATTHEW, III. 13—17.

THEN cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. But John forbad Him, saying, I have need to be baptized of Thee, and comest Thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness. Then he suffered Him. And Jesus, when He was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon Him: and lo, a voice from heaven, saying, This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well pleased. And Thou.

At None.

ANTHEM. A great mystery is shown forth to-day; for in the waves of Jordan, the Maker of all men washeth away our sins. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

JOHN, I. 29—34.

THE next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, Which taketh *away the sin of the world.* This is He of whom I said, *After me cometh a Man which is preferred before me:*

for He was before me. And I knew Him not : but that He should be made manifest to Israel, therefore am I come baptizing with water. And John bare record, saying, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and It abode upon Him. And I knew Him not : but He that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon Whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on Him, the same is He which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost. And I saw, and bare record that This is the Son of God. And Thou.

At Compline.

ANTHEM. Christ hath appeared in glory, and hath sanctified the fountains of water. Draw out, O earth, from the wells of salvation ; for Christ, our Lord, hath sanctified every creature. Alleluia.

THE LESSON.

ACTS, XIII. 16—25.

MEN of Israel, and ye that fear God, give audience. The God of this people of Israel chose our fathers, and exalted the people when they dwelt as strangers in the land of Egypt, and with a high arm brought He them out of it. And about the time of forty years suffered He their manners in the wilderness. And when He had destroyed seven nations in the land of Chanaan, He divided their land to them by lot. And after that He gave unto them judges, about the space of four hundred and fifty years, until Samuel the prophet. And afterward they desired a king : and God gave unto them Saul the son of Cis, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, by the space of forty years. And when He had removed

him, He raised up unto them David to be their king; to whom also He gave testimony, and said, I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after Mine own heart, which shall fulfil all My will. Of this man's seed hath God according to His promise raised unto Israel a Saviour, Jesus: when John had first preached before His coming, the baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel. And as John fulfilled his course, he said, Whom think ye that I am? I am not He. But, behold, there cometh One after me, whose shoes of His feet I am not worthy to loose. And Thou.

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE
EPIPHANY,
AND THE WEEK FOLLOWING.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who dost govern all things in heaven and earth ; Mercifully hear the supplications of Thy people and grant us Thy peace all the days of our life ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terre.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, XII. 6—9.

HAVING then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith ; or ministry, let us wait on our ministering ; or he that teacheth, on teaching ; or he that exhorteth, on exhortation ; he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity ; he that ruleth, with diligence ; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil, cleave to that which is good. And Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

At Sert.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, XII. 10—16.

BE kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love, in honour preferring one another : not slothful in business ; fervent in spirit ; serving the Lord ; rejoicing in hope ; patient in tribulation ; continuing instant in prayer ; distributing to the necessity of saints ; given to hospitality. Bless them which persecute you : bless, and curse not. Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. Be of the same mind one towards another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. And Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd ; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

At Home.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, XII. 16—21.

BE not wise in your own conceits. Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath ; for it is written, Vengeance is Mine ; I will repay, saith the Lord. Therefore, if thine enemy hunger, feed him ; if he thirst, give him drink : for in so doing thou shalt *heap coals of fire on his head*. Be not overcome of evil, *but overcome evil with good*. And Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.
R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

JOHN, II. 1—11.

THERE was a marriage in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. And both Jesus was called, and His disciples, to the marriage. And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto Him, They have no wine. Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? Mine hour is not yet come. His mother saith unto the servants, Whatsoever He saith unto you, do it. And there were set there six water-pots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three firkins apiece. Jesus saith unto them, Fill the water-pots with water. And they filled them up to the brim. And He saith unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the governour of the feast. And they bare it. When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was, (but the servants which drew the water knew,) the governour of the feast called the bridegroom, and saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine, and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse: but thou hast kept the good wine until now. This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth His glory, and His disciples believed on Him. And Thou.

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE
EPIPHANY,
AND THE WEEK FOLLOWING.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth Thy right hand to help and defend us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terre.

THE LESSON.

GALATIANS, I. 1—5.

PAUL, an apostle, (not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father, Who raised Him from the dead) and all the brethren which are with me, unto the churches of Galatia: grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ, Who gave Himself for our sins, that He might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father: to Whom be glory for ever and ever. *Amen.* And Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

GALATIANS, II. 16—19.

KNOWING that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified. But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is therefore Christ the minister of sin? God forbid. For if I build again the things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor. For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto God. And Thou.

V. The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

At None.

THE LESSON.

GALATIANS, III. 1—9.

O FOOLISH Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you? This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh? Have ye suffered so many things in vain? if it be yet in vain. *He therefore that ministereth to you the Spirit, and*

worketh miracles among you, doeth he it by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? Even as Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness. Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham. And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed. So then they which be of faith, are blessed with faithful Abraham. And Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

MATTHEW, VIII. 2—13.

THERE came a leper and worshipped Jesus, saying, Lord, if Thou wilt, Thou canst make me clean. And Jesus put forth His hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. And Jesus saith unto him, See thou tell no man, but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them. And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto Him a centurion beseeching Him, and saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him. The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldest come under my roof; but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed. For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to

this man, Go, and he goeth ; and to another, Come, and he cometh ; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it. When Jesus heard it, He marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no not in Israel. And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness : there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way, and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the self-same hour. And Thou.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE
EPIPHANY,
AND THE WEEK FOLLOWING.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, Who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright; Grant to us such strength and protection, as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terre.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, XIII. 1—2.

LET every soul be subject unto the higher powers; for there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist, shall receive to themselves damnation. But Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, XIII. 3—5.

FOR rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same: for he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil. Wherefore ye must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake. And Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

At None.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, XIII. 6—8.

FOR, for this cause pay ye tribute also; for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing. Render therefore to all their dues; tribute to whom tribute is due, custom to whom custom, fear to whom fear, honour to whom honour. Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law. And Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

MATTHEW, VIII. 23—34.

WHEN Jesus was entered into a ship, His disciples followed Him. And behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, insomuch that the ship was covered with the waves: but He was asleep. And His disciples came to Him, and awoke Him, saying, Lord, save us, we perish. And He saith unto them, Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? Then He arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. But the men marvelled, saying, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him! And when He was come to the other side into the country of the Gergesenes, there met Him two possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way. And behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with Thee, Jesus, Thou Son of God? art Thou come hither to torment us before the time? And there was a good way off from them an herd of many swine, feeding. So the devils besought Him, saying, If Thou cast us out, suffer us to go away into the herd of swine. And He said unto them, Go. And when they were come out, they went into the herd of swine: and behold, the whole herd of swine ran violently down a steep place into the sea, and perished in the waters. And they that kept them fled, and went their ways into the city, and told every thing, and what was befallen to the possessed of the devils. And behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus: and when they saw Him, they besought Him, that He would depart out of their coasts. But *Thou.*

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE
EPIPHANY,
AND THE WEEK FOLLOWING.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee to keep Thy Church and household continually in Thy true religion; that they who do lean only upon the hope of Thy heavenly grace may evermore be defended by Thy mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

THE LESSON.

COLOSSIANS, III. 12—14.

PUT on, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, long-suffering; forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any; even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness. And Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

At Sext.

THE LESSON.

COLOSSIANS, III. 15—17.

LET the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatsoever ye do, in word or deed, do all in the Name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by Him. And Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

At None.

THE LESSON.

COLOSSIANS, III. 18—24.

WIVES, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them. Children obey your parents in all things: for this is well-pleasing unto the Lord. Fathers provoke not your children to anger, lest they be discouraged. Servants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh; not with eye-service, as men-pleasers, but in singleness of heart, fearing God: and whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men; knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the *Lord Christ*. And Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.
R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

MATTHEW, XIII. 24—30.

JESUS said unto His disciples, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field. But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. So the servants of the householder came, and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares? He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest; and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn. But Thou.

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE
EPIPHANY,

AND THE WEEK FOLLOWING.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, Whose blessed Son was manifested that He might destroy the works of the devil, and make us the sons of God, and heirs of eternal life; Grant us, we beseech Thee, that having this hope, we may purify ourselves, even as He is pure; that, when He shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto Him in His eternal and glorious kingdom; where with Thee, O Father, and Thee, O Holy Ghost, He liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end.
Amen.

At Terre.

THE LESSON.

1 S. JOHN, III. 1—3.

BEHOLD, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew Him not. Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be; but we know, that, when He shall appear, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him as He is. And every man that hath this hope in Him, purifieth himself, even as He is pure. And Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

1 S. JOHN, III. 4—6.

WHOSOEVER committeth sin transgresseth also the law; for sin is the transgression of the law. And ye know that He was manifested to take away our sins; and in Him is no sin. Whosoever abideth in Him, sinneth not: whosoever sinneth, hath not seen Him, neither known Him. But Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

At None.

THE LESSON.

1 S. JOHN, III. 7—8.

LITTLE children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness, is righteous, even as He is righteous. He that committeth sin, is of the devil: for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil. And Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, XIII. 31—43.

JESUS spake another parable unto the people, saying, The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field : which indeed is the least of all seeds : but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof. Another parable spake He unto them ; The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened. All these things spake Jesus unto the multitude in parables ; and without a parable spake He not unto them : that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, I will open My mouth in parables ; I will utter things which have been kept secret from the foundation of the world. Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house : and His disciples came unto Him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field. He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man ; The field is the world ; the good seed are the children of the kingdom ; but the tares are the children of the wicked one ; The enemy that sowed them is the devil ; the harvest is the end of the world ; and the reapers are the angels. As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire ; so shall it be in the end of this world. The Son of man shall send forth His angels, and they shall gather out of His kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity ; and shall cast them into a furnace of fire : there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun *in the kingdom* of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear. And Thou.

SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY,
AND THE WEEK FOLLOWING.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM LXVI.

O BE joyful in God, all ye lands : * sing praises unto the honour of His Name, make His praise to be glorious.

Say unto God, O how wonderful art Thou in Thy works ! * through the greatness of Thy power shall Thine enemies be found liars unto Thee.

For all the world shall worship Thee, * sing of Thee, and praise Thy Name.

O come hither, and behold the works of God : * how wonderful He is in His doing toward the children of men.

He turned the sea into dry land ; * so that they went through the water on foot ; there did we rejoice thereof.

He ruleth with His power for ever ; His eyes behold the people ; * and such as will not believe shall not be able to exalt themselves.

O PRAISE our God, ye people, * and make the voice of His praise to be heard ;

Who holdeth our soul in life, * and suffereth not our feet to slip.

For Thou, O God, hast proved us : * Thou also hast tried us, like as silver is tried.

*Thou broughtest us into the snare, * and laidest trouble upon our loins.*

Thou sufferedst men to ride over our heads ; * we went through fire and water, and Thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place.

I will go into Thine house with burnt-offerings ; * and will pay Thee my vows, which I promised with my lips, and spake with my mouth, when I was in trouble.

I will offer unto Thee fat burnt-sacrifices, with the incense of rams : * I will offer bullocks and goats.

O come hither, and hearken, all ye that fear God, * and I will tell you what He hath done for my soul.

I called unto Him with my mouth, * and gave Him praises with my tongue.

If I incline unto wickedness with mine heart, * the Lord will not hear me.

But God hath heard me, * and considered the voice of my prayer.

Praised be God Who hath not cast out my prayer, * nor turned His mercy from me.

PSALM LXXXII.

GOD standeth in the congregation of princes : * He is a Judge among gods.

How long will ye give wrong judgment, * and accept the persons of the ungodly ?

Defend the poor and fatherless : * see that such as are in need and necessity have right.

Deliver the out-cast and poor : * save them from the hand of the ungodly.

They will not be learned nor understand, but walk on still in darkness : * all the foundations of the earth are out of course.

I have said, Ye are gods ; * and ye are all the children of the most Highest.

But ye shall die like men, * and fall like one of the princes.

Arise, O God, and judge Thou the earth ; * for Thou *shalt take all heathen to Thine inheritance.*

ANTHEM. O praise our God, ye people, and make the voice of His praise to be heard; Who holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to slip.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee favourably to hear the prayers of Thy people; that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by Thy goodness, for the glory of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

At Terre.

THE LESSON.

1 CORINTHIANS, ix. 24—27.

K NOW ye not, that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run that ye may obtain. And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things: now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown, but we an incorruptible. I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air: but I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection, lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a cast-away. And Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

At Sept.**THE LESSON.**

PHILIPPIANS, III. 13—14.

BRETHREN, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark, for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. And Thou.

V. The Lord is my shepherd ; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

At None.**THE LESSON.**

PHILIPPIANS, III. 15—16.

LET us therefore, as many as be perfect, be thus minded : and if in any thing ye be otherwise minded, God shall reveal even this unto you. Nevertheless, whereto we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us mind the same thing. And Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

At Compline.**THE LESSON.**

S. MATTHEW, XX. 1—16.

AT that time, Jesus spake unto His Disciples saying, The kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is

an householder, which went out early in the morning to hire labourers into his vineyard. And when he had agreed with the labourers for a penny a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And he went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle in the market-place, and said unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way. Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour, and did likewise. And about the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle, and saith unto them, Why stand ye here all the day idle? They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive. So when even was come, the lord of the vineyard saith unto his steward, Call the labourers, and give them their hire, beginning from the last unto the first. And when they came that were hired about the eleventh hour, they received every man a penny. But when the first came, they supposed that they should have received more; and they likewise received every man a penny. And when they had received it, they murmured against the goodman of the house, saying, These last have wrought but one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day. But he answered one of them, and said, Friend, I do thee no wrong; didst not thou agree with me for a penny? Take that thine is, and go thy way; I will give unto this last even as unto thee. Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil, because I am good? So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen. But Thou.

SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY,
AND THE WEEK FOLLOWING.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM IX.

I WILL give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, with my whole heart; * I will speak of all Thy marvellous works.

I will be glad and rejoice in Thee; * yea, my songs will I make of Thy Name, O Thou most Highest.

While mine enemies are driven back, * they shall fall and perish at Thy presence.

For Thou hast maintained my right and my cause: * Thou art set in the throne that judgest right.

Thou hast rebuked the heathen, and destroyed the ungodly; * Thou hast put out their name for ever and ever.

O thou enemy, destructions are come to a perpetual end; * even as the cities which thou hast destroyed; their memorial is perished with them.

But the Lord shall endure for ever; * He hath also prepared His seat for judgment.

For He shall judge the world in righteousness, * and minister true judgment unto the people.

The Lord also will be a defence for the oppressed; * even a refuge in due time of trouble.

And they that know Thy Name will put their trust in Thee; * for Thou, Lord, hast never failed them that seek Thee.

O PRAISE the Lord Which dwelleth in Sion ; *
shew the people of His doings.

For, when He maketh inquisition for blood, He remembereth them, * and forgetteth not the complaint of the poor.

Have mercy upon me, O Lord ; consider the trouble which I suffer of them that hate me ; * Thou that liftest me up from the gates of death :

That I may shew all Thy praises within the ports of the daughter of Sion : * I will rejoice in Thy salvation.

The heathen are sunk down in the pit that they made : * in the same net which they hid privily, is their foot taken.

The Lord is known to execute judgment : * the ungodly is trapped in the work of his own hands.

The wicked shall be turned into hell, * and all the people that forget God.

For the poor shall not alway be forgotten ; * the patient abiding of the meek shall not perish for ever.

Up, Lord, and let not man have the upper hand ; * let the heathen be judged in Thy sight.

Put them in fear, O Lord ; * that the heathen may know themselves to be but men.

PSALM X.

WHY standest Thou so far off, O Lord ; * and hidest Thy face in the needful time of trouble ?

The ungodly for his own lust doth persecute the poor : * let them be taken in the crafty wiliness that they have imagined.

For the ungodly hath made boast of his own heart's desire, * and speaketh good of the covetous, whom God abhorreth.

The ungodly is so proud, that he careth not for God ; * neither is God in all his thoughts.

His ways are alway grievous : * Thy judgments are

far above out of his sight, and therefore defieth he all his enemies.

For he hath said in his heart, Tush, I shall never be cast down ; * there shall no harm happen unto me.

His mouth is full of cursing, deceit, and fraud ; * under his tongue is ungodliness and vanity.

He sitteth lurking in the thievish corners of the streets ; * and privily in his lurking dens doth he murder the innocent ; his eyes are set against the poor.

For he lieth waiting secretly, even as a lion lurketh he in his den, * that he may ravish the poor.

He doth ravish the poor, * when he getteth him into his net.

He falleth down, and humbleth himself,* that the congregation of the poor may fall into the hands of his captains.

He hath said in his heart, Tush, God hath forgotten : * He hideth away His face, and He will never see it.

Arise, O Lord God, and lift up Thine hand ; * forget not the poor.

Wherefore should the wicked blaspheme God ; * while he doth say in his heart, Tush, Thou God carest not for it.

Surely Thou hast seen it ; * for Thou beholdest ungodliness and wrong.

That Thou mayest take the matter into Thine hand,* the poor committeth himself unto Thee ; for Thou art the helper of the friendless.

Break Thou the power of the ungodly and malicious : * take away his ungodliness, and Thou shalt find none.

The Lord is King for ever and ever ; * and the heathen are perished out of the land.

Lord, Thou hast heard the desire of the poor : * Thou preparest their heart, and Thine ear hearkeneth thereto ;

To help the fatherless and poor unto their right ; * that the man of the earth be no more exalted against them.

ANTHEM. The Lord will be a defence for the oppressed,
even a refuge in due time of trouble.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD God, Who seest that we put not our trust
in any thing that we do ; Mercifully grant that by
Thy power we may be defended against all adversity ;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

THE LESSON.

2 CORINTHIANS, XI. 19—23.

YE suffer fools gladly, seeing ye yourselves are wise.
For ye suffer if a man bring you into bondage, if
a man devour you, if a man take of you, if a man exalt
himself, if a man smite you on the face. I speak as
concerning reproach, as though we had been weak :
howbeit, whereinsoever any is bold, (I speak foolishly)
I am bold also. Are they Hebrews ? so am I. Are
they Israelites ? so am I. Are they the seed of Abra-
ham ? so am I. Are they ministers of Christ ? (I speak
as a fool) I am more : in labours more abundant ; in
stripes above measure ; in prisons more frequent ; in
deaths oft. But Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

2 CORINTHIANS, XI. 24—28.

OF the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one; thrice was I beaten with rods; once was I stoned; thrice I suffered shipwreck; a night and a day I have been in the deep; in journeying often; in perils of waters; in perils of robbers; in perils by mine own countrymen; in perils by the heathen; in perils in the city; in perils in the wilderness; in perils in the sea; in perils among false brethren; in weariness and painfulness; in watchings often; in hunger and thirst; in fastings often; in cold and nakedness; besides those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches. And Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

At None.

THE LESSON.

2 CORINTHIANS, XI. 29—31.

WHO is weak, and I am not weak? who is offended, and I burn not; If I must needs glory, I will glory of the things which concern mine infirmities. The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Which is blessed for evermore, knoweth that I lie not. And Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, VIII. 4—15.

WHEN much people were gathered together, and were come to Him out of every city, Jesus spake by a parable : A sower went out to sow his seed ; and as he sowed, some fell by the way-side, and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it. And some fell upon a rock, and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it, and choked it. And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundred-fold. And when He had said these things, He cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. And His disciples asked Him, saying, What might this parable be ? And He said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God : but to others in parables ; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand. Now the parable is this : The seed is the Word of God. Those by the way-side are they that hear ; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe, and be saved. They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy ; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away. And that which fell among thorns, are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares, and riches, and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection. But that on the good ground, are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience. And Thou.

QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY,
AND THE MONDAY AND TUESDAY AFTER.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM XXXI.

IN Thee, O Lord, have I put my trust; * let me never be put to confusion; deliver me in Thy righteousness.

Bow down Thine ear to me; * make haste to deliver me.

And be Thou my strong rock, and house of defence; * that Thou mayest save me.

For Thou art my strong rock, and my castle: * be Thou also my guide, and lead me for Thy Name's sake.

Draw me out of the net, that they have laid privily for me; * for Thou art my strength.

Into Thy hands I commend my spirit; * for Thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, Thou God of truth.

I have hated them that hold of superstitious vanities; * and my trust hath been in the Lord.

I will be glad, and rejoice in Thy mercy; * for Thou hast considered my trouble, and hast known my soul in adversities.

Thou hast not shut me up into the hand of the enemy; * but hast set my feet in a large room.

HAVE mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble; * and mine eye is consumed for very heaviness; yea, my soul and my body.

For my life is waxen old with heaviness, * and my years with mourning.

My strength faileth me, because of mine iniquity ; * and my bones are consumed.

I became a reproof among all mine enemies, but especially among my neighbours ; * and they of mine acquaintance were afraid of me ; and they that did see me without conveyed themselves from me.

I am clean forgotten, as a dead man out of mind : * I am become like a broken vessel.

For I have heard the blasphemy of the multitude ; * and fear is on every side, while they conspire together against me, and take their counsel to take away my life.

But my hope hath been in Thee, O Lord : * I have said, Thou art my God.

My time is in Thy hand ; deliver me from the hand of mine enemies ; * and from them that persecute me.

Shew Thy servant the light of Thy countenance, * and save me for Thy mercy's sake.

LET me not be confounded, O Lord, for I have called upon Thee : * let the ungodly be put to confusion, and be put to silence in the grave.

Let the lying lips be put to silence ; * which cruelly, disdainfully, and despitefully, speak against the righteous.

O how plentiful is Thy goodness, which Thou hast laid up for them that fear Thee ; * and that Thou hast prepared for them that put their trust in Thee, even before the sons of men !

Thou shalt hide them privily by Thine own Presence from the provoking of all men : * Thou shalt keep them secretly in Thy tabernacle from the strife of tongues.

Thanks be to the Lord ; * for He hath shewed me marvellous great kindness in a strong city.

And when I made haste, I said, * I am cast out of the sight of Thine eyes.

Nevertheless, Thou heardest the voice of my prayer, *
when I cried unto Thee.

O love the Lord, all ye his saints; * for the Lord
preserveth them that are faithful, and plenteously
rewardeth the proud doer.

Be strong, and He shall establish your heart; * all ye
that put your trust in the Lord.

ANTHEM. Shew Thy servant the light of Thy coun-
tenance; and save me for Thy mercy's sake.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, Who hast taught us that all our doings
without charity are nothing worth; Send Thy Holy
Ghost, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift
of charity, the very bond of peace and of all virtues,
without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before
Thee: Grant this for Thine only Son Jesus Christ's
sake. *Amen.*

At Terre.

THE LESSON.

1 CORINTHIANS, XIII. 1—3.

THOUGH I speak with the tongues of men and of
angels, and have not charity, I am become as
sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And though I
have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries,
and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that
I could remove mountains. and have not charity, I am
nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed
the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and
have not charity, it profiteth me nothing. But Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

At Ser.**THE LESSON.**

1 CORINTHIANS, XIII. 4—7.

CHARITY suffereth long, and is kind ; charity envieth not ; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil, rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth ; beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. And Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd ; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

At None.**THE LESSON.**

1 CORINTHIANS, XIII. 8—13.

CHARITY never faileth : but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail ; whether there be tongues, they shall cease ; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away. When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child ; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. For now we see through a glass darkly ; but then face to face : now I know in part ; but then shall I know even as also I am known. And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three ; but the greatest of these is charity. And Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

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At Compline.**THE LESSON.****S. LUKE, XVIII. 31—43.**

THEN Jesus took unto Him the twelve, and said unto them, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of Man shall be accomplished. For He shall be delivered unto the Gentiles, and shall be mocked, and spitefully entreated, and spitted on : and they shall scourge Him, and put Him to death ; and the third day He shall rise again. And they understood none of these things : and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken. And it came to pass, that as He was come nigh unto Jericho, a certain blind man sat by the way-side begging : and hearing the multitude pass by, he asked what it meant. And they told him, that Jesus of Nazareth passeth by. And he cried, saying, Jesus, Thou Son of David, have mercy on me. And they which went before rebuked him, that he should hold his peace : but he cried so much the more, Thou Son of David, have mercy on me. And Jesus stood, and commanded him to be brought unto Him : and when he was come near, He asked him, saying, What wilt thou that I shall do unto thee ? And he said, Lord, that I may receive my sight. And Jesus said unto him, Receive thy sight ; thy faith hath saved thee. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Him, glorifying God : and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise unto God. And Thou.

THE FIRST DAY OF LENT,

COMMONLY CALLED

Ash-Wednesday.**At Prime.**

THE PSALMS.

PSALM LI.

HAVE mercy upon me, O God, after Thy great goodness; * according to the multitude of Thy mercies do away mine offences.

Wash me throughly from my wickedness, * and cleanse me from my sin.

F'or I acknowledge my faults, * and my sin is ever before me.

Against Thee only have I sinned, and done this evil in Thy sight: * that Thou mightest be justified in Thy saying, and clear when Thou art judged.

Behold, I was shapen in wickedness; * and in sin hath my mother conceived me.

But lo, Thou requirest truth in the inward parts; * and shalt make me to understand wisdom secretly.

Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: * Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness; * that the bones which Thou hast broken may rejoice.

TURN Thy face from my sins; * and put out all my misdeeds.

*Make me a clean heart, O God; * and renew a right spirit within me.*

Cast me not away from Thy presence ; * and take not Thy holy Spirit from me.

O give me the comfort of Thy help again ; * and stablish me with Thy free Spirit.

Then shall I teach Thy ways unto the wicked ; * and sinners shall be converted unto Thee.

Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, Thou that art the God of my health ; * and my tongue shall sing of Thy righteousness.

Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord ; * and my mouth shall shew Thy praise.

For Thou desirest no sacrifice, else would I give it Thee ; * but Thou delightest not in burnt-offerings.

The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit : * a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt Thou not despise.

O be favourable and gracious unto Sion : * build Thou the walls of Jerusalem.

Then shalt Thou be pleased with the sacrifice of righteousness, with the burnt-offerings and oblations : * then shall they offer young bullocks upon Thine altar.

PSALM LII.

WHY boastest thou thyself, thou tyrant, * that thou canst do mischief ;

Whereas the goodness of God, * endureth yet daily ?

Thy tongue imagineth wickedness ; * and with lies thou outtest like a sharp razor.

Thou hast loved unrighteousness more than goodness ; * and to talk of lies more than righteousness.

Thou hast loved to speak all words that may do hurt ; * O thou false tongue.

Therefore shall God destroy thee for ever : * he shall take thee, and pluck thee out of thy dwelling, and root thee out of the land of the living.

The righteous also shall see this, and fear ; * and shall laugh him to scorn ;

*Lo, this is the man that took not God for his strength ; **

t trusted unto the multitude of his riches, and engthened himself in his wickedness.

As for me, I am like a green olive-tree in the house God : * my trust is in the tender mercy of God for er and ever.

I will always give thanks unto Thee for that Thou st done ; * and I will hope in Thy Name, for Thy ints like it well.

STHEM. Lay ye up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal.

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, III. 21—25.

VOICE was heard upon the high places, weeping and supplications of the children of Israel : for ey have perverted their way, and they have forgotten e Lord their God. Return, ye backsliding children, d I will heal your backslidings. Behold, we come to Thee ; for Thou art the Lord our God. Truly in in is salvation hoped for from the hills, and from the ultitude of mountains : truly in the Lord our God is e salvation of Israel. For shame hath devoured the bour of our fathers from our youth ; their flocks and eir herds, their sons and their daughters. We lie own in our shame, and our confusion covereth us : for e have sinned against the Lord our God, we and our thers, from our youth even unto this day, and have t obeyed the voice of the Lord our God. Thus saith e Lord, Be ye turned to Me, and ye shall be saved.

THE COLLECT.

Y RANT, O Lord, unto Thy faithful servants, that they may commence this solemn fast with becoming verence, and persevere throughout the same with sure votion ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

At Terre.

ANTHEM. Have mercy upon me, O God, after Thy great goodness; according to the multitude of Thy mercies, do away mine offences.

THE LESSON.

JOEL, II. 12—14.

NOW, saith the Lord, turn ye even to Me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning: and rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth Him of the evil. Who knoweth if He will return and repent, and leave a blessing behind Him; even a meat offering and a drink offering unto the Lord your God? Thus saith.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, unto Thy faithful servants. *As at Prime.*

At Sext.

ANTHEM. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me: O give me the comfort of Thy help again.

THE LESSON.

JOEL, II. 15—17.

BLOW the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly: gather the people, sanctify the

congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet. Let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare Thy people, O Lord, and give not Thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God? Thus saith.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, unto Thy faithful servants. *As at Prime.*

At None.

ANTHEM. The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise.

THE LESSON.

JOEL, II. 18—19.

THEN will the Lord be jealous for His land, and pity His people. Yea, the Lord will answer and say unto His people, Behold, I will send you corn, and wine, and oil, and ye shall be satisfied therewith: and I will no more make you a reproach among the heathen. Thus saith.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, mercifully regard those who bow before Thy Majesty; that we who are refreshed by Thy divine gifts, may be ever supported by Thy heavenly aid; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, VI. 16—21.

WHEN ye fast, be not as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But thou, when thou fastest, anoint thine head, and wash thy face, that thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly. Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, mercifully regard. *As at None.*

THURSDAY, THE SECOND DAY OF LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Ash-Wednesday.*

ANTHEM. My trust is in the tender mercy of God for ever and ever : I will alway give thanks unto Him.

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, IV. 14—18.

O JERUSALEM, wash thine heart from wickedness, that thou mayest be saved. How long shall thy vain thoughts lodge within thee ? For a voice declareth from Dan, and publisheth affliction from mount Ephraim. Make ye mention to the nations ; behold, publish against Jerusalem, that watchers come from a far country, and give out their voice against the cities of Judah. As keepers of a field, are they against her round about ; because she hath been rebellious against Me, saith the Lord. Thy way and thy doings have procured these things unto thee ; this is thy wickedness, because it is bitter, because it reacheth unto thine heart. Thus saith.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, Who by sin art offended. and by penitence appeased ; graciously regard the prayers of Thy suppliant people, and turn away those chastisements of Thy wrath, which by our sins we have deserved ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terre.

ANTHEM. Have mercy. *As on Ash-Wednesday.*

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LVIII. 1—4.

CRY aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew My people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins. Yet they seek Me daily, and delight to know My ways, as a nation that did righteousness, and forsook not the ordinance of their God: they ask of Me the ordinances of justice; they take delight in approaching to God. Wherefore have we fasted, say they, and Thou seest not? wherefore have we afflicted our soul, and Thou takest no knowledge? Behold, in the day of your fast ye find pleasure, and exact all your labours. Behold, ye fast for strife and debate, and to smite with the fist of wickedness: ye shall not fast as ye do this day, to make your voice to be heard on high. Thus saith.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, Who by sin art offended. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

ANTHEM. Cast me not. *As on Ash-Wednesday.*

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LVIII. 5—7.

IS it such a fast that I have chosen? a day for a man to afflict his soul? is it to bow down his head as a

bulrush, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? wilt thou call this a fast, and an acceptable day to the Lord? Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke? is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? when thou seest the naked that thou cover him? and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh? Thus saith.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, Who by sin art offended. *As at Prime.*

At None.

ANTHEM. The sacrifice of God. *As on Ash-Wednesday.*

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LVIII. 8, 9.

THEN shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily: and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the Lord shall be thy rereward. Then shalt thou call, and the Lord shall answer; thou shalt cry, and He shall say, Here I am. Thus saith.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

SPAKE, O Lord, spare Thy people; that, having been deservedly punished, we may be refreshed by Thy mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

At Compline.**THE LESSON.**

S. MATTHEW, v. 27—37.

JESUS said unto His disciples, Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery: but I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart. And if thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell. And if thy right hand offend thee, cut it off, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell. It hath been said, Whosoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of divorcement: but I say unto you, That whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery. Again, ye have heard that it hath been said by them of old time, Thou shalt not forswear thyself, but shalt perform unto the Lord thine oaths: but I say unto you, Swear not at all; neither by heaven; for it is God's throne: nor by the earth; for it is his footstool: neither by Jerusalem; for it is the city of the great King. Neither shalt thou swear by thy head, because thou canst not make one hair white or black. But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay; for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

SPARE, O Lord, spare Thy people. *As at None.*

FRIDAY, THE THIRD DAY OF LENT.

At Prime.THE PSALMS. *As on Ash-Wednesday.*ANTHEM. My trust. *As at page 153.*

THE LESSON.

LAMENTATIONS, III. 22—24.

IT is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning : great is Thy faithfulness. The Lord is my portion, saith my soul ; therefore will I hope in Him. Thus saith.

THE COLLECT.

LET Thy gracious favour, O Lord, attend the fast we have now begun ; that the service which we outwardly offer, we may inwardly perform with all sincerity ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terre.ANTHEM. Have mercy. *As on Ash-Wednesday.*

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LVIII. 9—11.

IF thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke, the putting forth of the finger, and speaking vanity ;

and if thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness be as the noon day: and the Lord shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones. Thus saith.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

LET Thy gracious favour. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

ANTHEM. Cast me not. *As on Ash-Wednesday.*

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LVIII. 11—12.

AND thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not. And they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to dwell in. Thus saith.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

LET Thy gracious favour. *As at Prime.*

At None.

ANTHEM. The sacrifice of God. *As on Ash-Wednesday.*

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LVIII. 13—14.

IF thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on My holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honourable; and shalt honour Him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words; then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it. Thus saith.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

DEFEND Thy people, O Lord, and mercifully cleanse them from all their sins; so that, no iniquity having dominion over them, no adversity may have power to hurt them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, v. 38—48.

JESUS said unto His disciples, Ye have heard that it hath been said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for

a tooth : but I say unto you, That ye resist not evil : but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also. And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat, let him have thy cloke also. And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain. Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away. Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy. But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you ; that ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven : for He maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust. For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye ? do not even the publicans the same ? And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others ? do not even the publicans so ? Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

DEFEND Thy people, O Lord. *As at None.*

SATURDAY, THE FOURTH DAY OF LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Ash-Wednesday.*

ANTHEM. My trust. *As at page 153.*

THE LESSON.

S. JAMES, IV. 6—10.

GOD resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double-minded. Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and your joy to heaviness. Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He shall lift you up. And Thou,

THE COLLECT.

RECEIVE our supplications, O Lord, and grant that we may devoutly keep this solemn fast, appointed for the healing both of body and soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terre.

ANTHEM. Have mercy. *As on Ash-Wednesday.*

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LIX. 1—3.

BEHOLD, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither His ear heavy, that it cannot hear: but your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid His face from you, that He will not hear. For your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity; your lips have spoken lies, your tongue hath muttered perverseness. Thus saith.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

RECEIVE our supplications. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

ANTHEM. Cast me not. *As on Ash-Wednesday.*

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LIX. 4—8.

NONE calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity. They hatch cockatrice' eggs, and weave the spider's web: he that eateth of their eggs dieth, and that which is crushed breaketh out into a viper. Their webs shall not become garments, neither shall they cover themselves with their works: their works are works of iniquity, and the act of violence is in their hands. Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood: their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; wasting and destruction are in their paths. The way of peace they *know not*; and there is no judgment in their goings:

they have made them crooked paths ; whosoever goeth therein shall not know peace. Thus saith.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd ; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

RECEIVE our supplications. *As at Prime.*

At None.

ANTHEM. The sacrifice of God. *As on Ash-Wednesday.*

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LIX. 9—13.

THEREFORE is judgment far from us, neither doth justice overtake us : we wait for light, but behold obscurity ; for brightness, but we walk in darkness. We grope for the wall like the blind, and we grope as if we had no eyes : we stumble at noon-day as in the night ; we are in desolate places as dead men. We roar all like bears, and mourn sore like doves : we look for judgment, but there is none ; for salvation, but it is far off from us. For our transgressions are multiplied before Thee, and our sins testify against us : for our transgressions are with us ; and as for our iniquities, we know them ; in transgressing and lying against the Lord, and departing away from our God, speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart words of falsehood. Thus saith.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, Who for our sake, didst fast forty days and forty nights ; Give us grace to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we

may ever obey Thy godly motions in righteousness, and true holiness, to Thy honour and glory, Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. MARK, VI. 47—56.

NOW when even was come, the ship with the disciples was in the midst of the sea, and Jesus alone on the land. And He saw them toiling in rowing; for the wind was contrary unto them: and about the fourth watch of the night He cometh unto them, walking upon the sea, and would have passed by them. But when they saw Him walking upon the sea, they supposed it had been a spirit, and cried out: for they all saw Him, and were troubled. And immediately He talked with them, and saith unto them, Be of good cheer: it is I; be not afraid. And He went up unto them into the ship; and the wind ceased: and they were sore amazed in themselves beyond measure, and wondered. For they considered not the miracle of the loaves: for their heart was hardened. And when they had passed over, they came into the land of Gennesaret, and drew to the shore. And when they were come out of the ship, straightway they knew Him, and ran through that whole region round about, and began to carry about in beds those that were sick, where they heard He was. And whithersoever He entered, into villages, or cities, or country, they laid the sick in the streets, and besought Him that they might touch if it were but the border of His garment: and as many as touched Him were made whole. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, Who for our sake. As at None.

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM XXXVIII.

PUT me not to rebuke, O Lord, in Thine anger ; *
neither chasten me in Thy heavy displeasure.

For Thine arrows stick fast in me ; * and Thy hand
presseth me sore.

There is no health in my flesh, because of Thy
displeasure ; * neither is there any rest in my bones, by
reason of my sin.

For my wickednesses are gone over my head ; * and
are like a sore burden, too heavy for me to bear.

My wounds stink, and are corrupt, * through my
foolishness.

I am brought into so great trouble and misery, * that
I go mourning all the day long.

For my loins are filled with a sore disease ; * and
there is no whole part in my body.

I am feeble, and sore smitten : * I have roared for the
very disquietness of my heart.

LORD, Thou knowest all my desire ; * and my groan-
ing is not hid from Thee.

My heart panteth, my strength hath failed me ; * and
the sight of mine eyes is gone from me.

My lovers and my neighbours did stand looking upon
my trouble ; * and my kinsmen stood afar off.

They also that sought after my life laid snares for
me ; * and they that went about to do me evil talked of
wickedness, and imagined deceit all the day long.

As for me, I was like a deaf man, and heard not ; * and as one that is dumb, who doth not open his mouth.

I became even as a man that heareth not ; * and in whose mouth are no reproofs.

For in Thee, O Lord, have I put my trust : * Thou shalt answer for me, O Lord my God.

I have required that they, even mine enemies, should not triumph over me ; * for when my foot slipped, they rejoiced greatly against me.

And I, truly, am set in the plague ; * and my heaviness is ever in my sight.

For I will confess my wickedness ; * and be sorry for my sin.

But mine enemies live, and are mighty ; * and they that hate me wrongfully are many in number.

They also that reward evil for good are against me, * because I follow the thing that good is.

Forsake me not, O Lord my God : * be not Thou far from me.

Haste Thee to help me, * O Lord God of my salvation.

PSALM XXXIX.

I SAID, I will take heed to my ways, * that I offend not in my tongue.

I will keep my mouth as it were with a bridle ; * while the ungodly is in my sight.

I held my tongue, and spake nothing : * I kept silence, yea, even from good words ; but it was pain and grief to me.

My heart was hot within me, and while I was thus musing the fire kindled ; * and at the last I spake with my tongue ;

Lord, let me know mine end, and the number of my days ; * that I may be certified how long I have to live.

Behold, Thou hast made my days as it were a span long ; * and mine age is even as nothing in respect of *Thee* ; and verily every man living is altogether vanity.

For man walketh in a vain shadow, and disquieteth

himself in vain : * he heapeth up riches, and cannot tell who shall gather them.

And now, Lord, what is my hope ; * truly my hope is even in Thee.

Deliver me from all mine offences ; * and make me not a rebuke unto the foolish.

I became dumb, and opened not my mouth ; * for it was Thy doing.

Take Thy plague away from me : * I am even consumed by the means of Thy heavy hand.

When Thou with rebukes dost chasten man for sin, Thou makest his beauty to consume away, like as it were a moth fretting a garment ; * every man therefore is but vanity.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and with Thine ears consider my calling ; * hold not Thy peace at my tears.

For I am a stranger with Thee, * and a sojourner, as all my fathers were.

O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength, * before I go hence, and be no more seen.

ANTHEM. Forsake me not, O Lord my God ; be not Thou far from me : haste Thee to help me, O Lord God of my salvation.

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, XIV. 7—9.

O LORD, though our iniquities testify against us, do Thou it for Thy Name's sake : for our backslidings are many ; we have sinned against Thee. O the Hope of Israel, the Saviour thereof in time of trouble, why shouldest Thou be as a stranger in the land, and as a way-faring man that turneth aside to tarry for a night ? Why shouldest Thou be as a man astonished, as a mighty man that cannot save ? yet Thou, O Lord, art in the midst of us, and we are called by Thy Name ; leave us not. *Thus saith.*

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, Who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights; Give us grace to use such abstinence that, our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey Thy godly motions in righteousness, and true holiness, to Thy honour and glory, Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God world without end. *Amen.*

At Terre.

ANTHEM. In a humble spirit, and with contrite hearts we come to Thee, O Lord. Thus will we sacrifice unto Thee, and propitiate Thee this day, O Lord God

THE LESSON.

2 CORINTHIANS, v. 17—21.

IF any man be in Christ, he is a new creature : old things are passed away ; behold, all things are become new. And all things are of God, Who hath reconciled us to Himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation ; to wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them ; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us : we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. For He hath made Him to be sin for us, Who knew no sin ; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him. And Thou.

V. I will say unto the Lord, Thou art my hope, and *my stronghold.*

R. *My God,* in Him will I trust.

At Ser.

ANTHEM. Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God; and Him only shalt thou serve.

THE LESSON.**2 CORINTHIANS, VI. 1—10.**

WE then, as workers together with Him, beseech you also, that ye receive not the grace of God in vain; (for He saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation;) giving no offence in any thing, that the ministry be not blamed; but in all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in fastings; by pureness, by knowledge, by long-suffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned, by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, by honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yet true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed; as sorrowful, yet alway rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things. And Thou.

V. He shall give His angels charge over thee.

R. To keep thee in all thy ways.

At None.

ANTHEM. Man shall not live by bread alone; but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

THE LESSON.

2 CORINTHIANS, VI. 14—18.

BE ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? and what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? and what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be My sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty. And Thou.

V. He shall defend thee under His wings.

R. And thou shalt be safe under His feathers.

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, IV. 1—11.

THEN was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness, to be tempted of the devil. And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, He was afterward an hungred. And when the tempter came to Him, he said, If Thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. But He answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the *mouth of God*. Then the devil taketh Him up into the *holy city*, and setteth Him on a pinnacle of the temple,

and saith unto Him, If Thou be the Son of God, cast Thyself down; for it is written, He shall give His angels charge concerning Thee, and in their hands they shall bear Thee up, lest at any time Thou dash Thy foot against a stone. Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. Again, the devil taketh Him up into an exceeding high mountain, and showeth Him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; and saith unto Him, All these things will I give Thee, if Thou wilt fall down and worship me. Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan; for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve. Then the devil leaveth Him, and behold, angels came and ministered unto Him. And Thou.

MONDAY, THE FIFTH DAY OF LENT.

At Prime.THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*ANTHEM. Forsake me not. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

TURN Thou us, O God our Saviour; and that we may profit by our Lenten fast, do Thou instruct our hearts in the way of heavenly discipline; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terre.

THE LESSON.

EZEKIEL, xxxiv. 7—10.

YE shepherds hear the word of the Lord; as I live, saith the Lord God, surely because My flock became a prey, and My flock became meat to every beast of the field, because there was no shepherd, neither did My shepherds search for My flock, but the shepherds fed themselves, and fed not My flock; therefore, O ye shepherds, hear the word of the Lord; thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I am against the shepherds; and I will require My flock at their hand, and cause them to cease from feeding the flock; neither *shall the shepherds feed themselves any more; for I*

will deliver My flock from their mouth, that they may not be meat for them. Thus saith.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

TURN Thou us, O God. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

EZEKIEL, xxxiv. 11—16.

THUS saith the Lord God ; Behold, I, even I, will both search My sheep, and seek them out. As a shepherd seeketh out his flock in the day that he is among his sheep that are scattered ; so will I seek out My sheep, and will deliver them out of all places, where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day. And I will bring them out from the people, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land, and feed them upon the mountains of Israel by the rivers, and in all the inhabited places of the country. I will feed them in a good pasture, and upon the high mountains of Israel shall their fold be : there shall they lie in a good fold, and in a fat pasture shall they feed upon the mountains of Israel. I will feed My flock, and I will cause them to lie down, saith the Lord God. I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and will bind up that which was broken, and will strengthen that which was sick : but will destroy the fat and the strong ; I will feed them with judgment. Thus saith.

- V. The Lord is my Shepherd ; I shall not want.
R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

TURN Thou us, O God. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

EZEKIEL, xxxiv. 17—24.

AS for you, O My flock, thus saith the Lord God, Behold, I judge between cattle and cattle, between the rams and the he-goats. Seemeth it a small thing unto you to have eaten up the good pasture, but ye must tread down with your feet the residue of your pastures ? and to have drunk of the deep waters, but ye must foul the residue with your feet ? And as for My flock, they eat that which ye have trodden with your feet ; and they drink that which ye have fouled with your feet. Therefore thus saith the Lord God unto them, Behold I, even I, will judge between the fat cattle and between the lean cattle. Because ye have thrust with side and with shoulder, and pushed all the diseased with your horns, till ye have scattered them abroad : therefore will I save My flock, and they shall no more be a prey ; and I will judge between cattle and cattle. And I will set up One Shepherd over them, and He shall feed them, even My Servant David ; He shall feed them, and He shall be their Shepherd. And I the Lord will be their God, and My Servant David a Prince among them ; I the Lord have spoken it. Thus saith.

- V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.
R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

ABSOLVE us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, from the bands of our sins, and whatsoever we have deserved for them do Thou mercifully avert; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, xxv. 31—46.

JESUS said unto His Disciples, When the Son of man shall come in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then shall He sit upon the throne of His glory: and before Him shall be gathered all nations: and He shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: and He shall set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. Then shall the King say unto them on His right hand, Come, ye blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: for I was an hungred, and ye gave Me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave Me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took Me in: naked, and ye clothed Me: I was sick, and ye visited Me: I was in prison, and ye came unto Me. Then shall the righteous answer Him, saying, Lord, when saw we Thee an hungred, and fed Thee? or thirsty, and gave Thee drink? When saw we Thee a stranger, and took Thee in? or naked, and clothed Thee? Or when saw we Thee sick, or in prison, and came unto Thee? And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me. Then shall He say also unto them

on the left hand, Depart from Me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: for I was an hungred, and ye gave Me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave Me no drink: I was a stranger, and ye took Me not in: naked, and ye clothed Me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited Me not. Then shall they also answer Him, saying, Lord, when saw we Thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto Thee? Then shall He answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to Me. And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

ABSOLVE us, we beseech Thee. *As at None.*

TUESDAY, THE SIXTH DAY OF LENT.

At Prime.THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*ANTHEM. Forsake me not. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

BEHOLD, O Lord, this Thy family, and grant that our souls, which we chasten with bodily mortifications, may shine before Thee in the brightness of Thy love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LV. 6—9.

SEEK ye the Lord while He may be found; call ye upon Him while He is near: let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and He will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon. For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts. Thus saith.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

BEHOLD, O Lord. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LV. 10—13.

THUS saith the Lord, As the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater : so shall My word be that goeth forth out of My mouth : it shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it. For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace : the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree : and it shall be to the Lord for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off. Thus saith.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd ; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

BEHOLD, O Lord. *As at Prime.*

At None.**THE LESSON.**

ISAIAH, LVII. 15—21.

THUS saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, Whose name is Holy ; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones. For I will not contend for ever, neither will I be always wroth ; for the spirit should fail before Me, and the souls which I have made. For the iniquity of his covetousness was I wroth, and smote him : I hid Me, and was wroth, and he went on frowardly in the way of his heart. I have seen his ways, and will heal him : I will lead him also, and restore comforts unto him and to his mourners. I create the fruit of the lips : Peace, peace to him that is far off, and to him that is near, saith the Lord ; and I will heal him. But the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt. There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked. Thus saith.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

LET our prayers come up before Thee, O Lord : and cleanse Thou Thy Church from every evil thing ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.**THE LESSON.**

S. MATTHEW, XV. 1—9.

THEN came to Jesus Scribes and Pharisees, which were of Jerusalem, saying, Why do Thy disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? for they wash not their hands when they eat bread. But He answered and said unto them, Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition? For God commanded, saying, Honour thy father and mother: and, He that curseth father or mother, let him die the death. But ye say, Whosoever shall say to his father or his mother, It is a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; and honour not his father or his mother, he shall be free. Thus have ye made the commandment of God of none effect by your tradition. Ye hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy of you, saying, This people draweth nigh unto Me with their mouth, and honoureth Me with their lips; but their heart is far from Me. But in vain they do worship Me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. But Thou.

THE COLLECT.LET our prayers. *As at None.***WEDNESDAY, THE SEVENTH DAY OF LENT.****Ember Day.**

¶ *The special Offices for Ember Days, will be found in the Third Part of this Manual.*

THURSDAY, THE EIGHTH DAY OF LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Forsake me not. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

GRACIOUSLY accept, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the devotion of Thy people; that they, whose bodies are chastened by fasting, may find refreshment for their souls in good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

THE LESSON.

EZEKIEL, XVIII. 1—9.

THE word of the Lord came unto me again, saying, What mean ye, that ye use this proverb concerning the land of Israel, saying, The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge? As I live, saith the Lord God, ye shall not have occasion any more to use this proverb in Israel. Behold, all souls are Mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is Mine: the soul that sinneth, it shall die. But if a man be just, and do that which is lawful and right, and hath not eaten upon the mountains, neither hath lifted up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel, neither hath defiled his neighbour's wife, neither hath come near to a menstruous woman, and hath not oppressed any, but hath restored to the debtor his pledge

hath spoiled none by violence, hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a garment; he that hath not given forth upon usury, neither hath taken any increase, that hath withdrawn his hand from iniquity, hath executed true judgment between man and man, hath walked in My statutes, and hath kept My judgments, to deal truly; he is just, he shall surely live, saith the Lord God. Thus saith.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

GRACIOUSLY accept, we beseech Thee. . *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

EZEKIEL, XVIII. 20—25.

THE soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him. But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all My statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die. All his transgressions that he hath committed, they shall not be mentioned unto him: in his righteousness that he hath done, he shall live. Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die? saith the Lord God: and not that he should return from his ways, and live? But when the righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and doeth according to all the *abominations* that the wicked man doeth, shall he live? *All his righteousness* that he hath done shall not be

mentioned : in his trespass that he hath trespassed, and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them shall he die. Yet ye say, The way of the Lord is not equal. Hear now, O house of Israel ; Is not My way equal ? are not your ways unequal ? Thus saith.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd ; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

GRACIOUSLY accept, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

EZEKIEL, XVIII. 26—32.

WHEN a righteous man turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and dieth in them ; for his iniquity that he hath done shall he die. Again, when the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive. Because he considereth, and turneth away from all his transgressions that he hath committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die. Yet saith the house of Israel, The way of the Lord is not equal. O house of Israel, are not My ways equal ? are not your ways unequal ? Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, saith the Lord God. Repent, and turn yourselves from all your transgressions ; so iniquity shall not be your ruin. Cast away from you all your transgressions, whereby ye have transgressed ; and make you a new heart and a new spirit : for why will ye die, O house of Israel ? For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord God : *wherefore turn yourselves, and live ye.* Thus saith.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, to all Christian people, truly to embrace that which they profess, and to love that heavenly banquet which they frequent; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, XV. 10—20.

JESUS called the multitude, and said unto them, Hear, and understand: Not that which goeth into the mouth defileth a man; but that which cometh out of the mouth, this defileth a man. Then came His disciples, and said unto Him, Knowest Thou that the Pharisees were offended, after they heard this saying? But He answered and said, Every plant, which My heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up. Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch. Then answered Peter and said unto Him, Declare unto us this parable. And Jesus said, Are ye also yet without understanding? Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth, goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught? But those things which proceed out of the mouth, come forth from the heart; and they defile the man. For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies: these are the things which defile a man: but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee. As at None.

FRIDAY, THE NINTH DAY OF LENT.

Ember Day.

SATURDAY, THE TENTH DAY OF LENT.

Ember Day.

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM CII.

HEAR my prayer, O Lord, * and let my crying
come unto Thee.

Hide not Thy face from me in the time of my
trouble; * incline Thine ear unto me when I call; O
hear me, and that right soon.

For my days are consumed away like smoke; * and
my bones are burnt up as it were a fire-brand.

My heart is smitten down, and withered like grass; *
so that I forget to eat my bread.

For the voice of my groaning, * my bones will scarce
cleave to my flesh.

I am become like a pelican in the wilderness, * and
like an owl *that is in the desert.*

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I have watched, and am even as it were a sparrow,* that sitteth alone upon the house-top.

Mine enemies revile me all the day long ; * and they that are mad upon me are sworn together against me.

For I have eaten ashes as it were bread,* and mingled my drink with weeping ;

And that because of Thine indignation and wrath ; * for Thou hast taken me up, and cast me down.

My days are gone like a shadow,* and I am withered like grass.

But, Thou, O Lord, shalt endure for ever,* and Thy remembrance throughout all generations.

THOU shalt arise, and have mercy upon Sion ; * for it is time that Thou have mercy upon her, yea, the time is come.

And why? Thy servants think upon her stones ; * and it pitieth them to see her in the dust.

The heathen shall fear Thy Name, O Lord ; * and all the kings of the earth Thy Majesty ;

When the Lord shall build up Sion,* and when His glory shall appear ;

When He turneth Him unto the prayer of the poor destitute,* and despiseth not their desire.

This shall be written for those that come after ; * and the people which shall be born shall praise the Lord.

For He hath looked down from His sanctuary : * out of the heaven did the Lord behold the earth ;

That He might hear the mournings of such as are in captivity,* and deliver the children appointed unto death ;

That they may declare the Name of the Lord in Sion ; * and His worship at Jerusalem ;

When the people are gathered together,* and the kingdoms also, to serve the Lord.

He brought down my strength in my journey,* and *shortened my days.*

But I said, O my God, take me not away in the midst of mine age : * as for Thy years, they endure throughout all generations.

Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth ; * and the heavens are the work of Thy hands.

They shall perish, but Thou shalt endure : * they all shall wax old as doth a garment ;

And as a vesture shalt Thou change them, and they shall be changed ; * but Thou art the same, and Thy years shall not fail.

The children of Thy servants shall continue ; * and their seed shall stand fast in Thy sight.

PSALM CIII.

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul ; * and all that is within me praise His holy Name.

Praise the Lord, O my soul, * and forget not all His benefits ;

Who forgiveth all thy sin, * and healeth all thine infirmities ;

Who saveth thy life from destruction, * and crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kindness ;

Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things, * making thee young and lusty as an eagle.

The Lord executeth righteousness and judgment, * for all them that are oppressed with wrong.

He shewed His ways unto Moses, * His works unto the children of Israel.

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, * long-suffering, and of great goodness.

He will not alway be chiding ; * neither keepeth He His anger for ever.

He hath not dealt with us after our sins ; * nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses.

For look how high the heaven is in comparison of the earth ; * so great is His mercy also toward them that fear Him.

Look how wide also the east is from the west ; * so far hath He set our sins from us.

Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children ; * even so is the Lord merciful unto them that fear Him.

For He knoweth whereof we are made ; * He remembereth that we are but dust.

The days of man are but as grass ; * for he flourisheth as a flower of the field.

For as soon as the wind goeth over it, it is gone ; * and the place thereof shall know it no more.

But the merciful goodness of the Lord endureth for ever and ever upon them that fear Him ; * and His righteousness upon children's children ;

Even upon such as keep His covenant, * and think upon His commandments to do them.

The Lord hath prepared His seat in heaven ; * and His kingdom ruleth over all.

O praise the Lord, ye angels of His, ye that excel in strength ; * ye that fulfil His commandment, and hearken unto the voice of His words.

O praise the Lord, all ye His hosts ; * ye servants of His that do His pleasure.

O speak good of the Lord, all ye works of His, in all places of His dominion ; * praise thou the Lord, O my soul.

ANTHEM. Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits ; Who forgiveth all thy sin.

THE LESSON.

LAMENTATIONS, v. 19—21.

THOU, O Lord, remainest for ever ; Thy throne from generation to generation. Wherefore dost Thou forget us for ever, and forsake us so long time ? Turn Thou us unto Thee, O Lord, and we shall be *turned* ; *renew* our days as of old. Thus saith.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, Who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves; Keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

ANTHEM. Hear my prayer, O Lord, and let my crying come unto Thee: hide not Thy face from me in the time of my trouble.

THE LESSON.

1 THESSALONIANS, IV. 1—5.

WE beseech you, brethren, and exhort you by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk, and to please God, so ye would abound more and more. For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus. For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication; that every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour; not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God. And Thou.

V. I will say unto the Lord, Thou art my hope, and my stronghold.

R. My God, in Him will I trust.

At Sept.

ANTHEM. The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, long-suffering, and of great goodness.

THE LESSON.

1 THESSALONIANS, IV. 6—8.

LET no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter; because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you, and testified. For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness. He therefore that despiseth, despiseth not man, but God, Who hath also given unto us His holy Spirit. And Thou.

V. He shall give His angels charge over thee.

R. To keep thee in all thy ways.

At None.

ANTHEM. The merciful goodness of the Lord, endureth for ever and ever, upon them that fear Him.

THE LESSON.

1 THESSALONIANS, IV. 9—12.

TOUCHING brotherly love, ye need not that I write unto you: for ye yourselves are taught of God to love one another. And indeed ye do it toward all the brethren which are in all Macedonia: but we beseech you, brethren, that ye increase more and more; and that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you; that ye may walk honestly toward them that are *without*, and that ye may have lack of nothing. And *Thou*.

V. He shall defend thee under His wings.

R. And thou shalt be safe under His feathers.

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, xv. 21—28.

JESUS went thence, and departed into the coasts of Tyre and Sidon. And, behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto Him, saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, Thou Son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil. But He answered her not a word. And His disciples came and besought Him, saying, Send her away; for she crieth after us. But He answered and said, I am not sent, but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel. Then came she and worshipped Him, saying, Lord, help me. But He answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs. And she said, Truth, Lord; yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their master's table. Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour. And Thou.

MONDAY, THE ELEVENTH DAY OF LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Praise the Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we, Thy servants, who, to mortify the flesh, abstain from food, may, by following righteousness, abstain from sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terre.

THE LESSON.

DEUTERONOMY, xxviii. 1—10.

MOSES spake unto all Israel, saying, It shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe and to do all His commandments which I command thee this day, that the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth: and all these blessings shall come on thee and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God. Blessed shalt thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in the field. Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and *the fruit of thy cattle*, the increase of thy kine, and the *flocks of thy sheep*. Blessed shall be thy basket and thy

store. Blessed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and blessed shalt thou be when thou goest out. The Lord shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways. The Lord shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses, and in all that thou settest thine hand unto; and He shall bless thee in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. The Lord shall establish thee an holy people unto Himself, as He hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the Lord thy God, and walk in His ways. And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the Name of the Lord. And Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

DEUTERONOMY, XXVIII. 15—20.

BUT it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe to do all His commandments and His statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee: Cursed shalt thou be in the city, and cursed shalt thou be in the field. Cursed shall be thy basket and thy store. Cursed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy land, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep. Cursed shalt

thou be when thou comest in, and cursed shalt thou be when thou goest out. The Lord shall send upon thee cursing, vexation, and rebuke, in all that thou settest thine hand unto for to do, until thou be destroyed, and until thou perish quickly; because of the wickedness of thy doings, whereby thou hast forsaken me. But Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

DEUTERONOMY, XXVIII. 58—67.

IF thou wilt not observe to do all the words of this law that are written in this book, that thou mayest fear this glorious and fearful Name, **THE LORD THY GOD**; then the Lord will make thy plagues wonderful, and the plagues of thy seed, even great plagues, and of long continuance, and sore sicknesses, and of long continuance. Moreover he will bring upon thee all the diseases of Egypt, which thou wast afraid of; and they shall cleave unto thee. Also every sickness, and every plague, which is not written in the book of this law, them will the Lord bring upon thee, until thou be destroyed. And ye shall be left few in number, whereas ye were as the stars of heaven for multitude; because thou wouldest not obey the voice of the Lord thy God. And it shall come to pass, that as the Lord rejoiced over you to do you good, and to multiply you; so the Lord *will rejoice* over you to destroy you, and to bring you *to nought*; and ye shall be plucked from off the land

whither thou goest to possess it. And the Lord shall scatter thee among all people, from the one end of the earth even unto the other; and there thou shalt serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, even wood and stone. And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall the sole of thy foot have rest: but the Lord shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of mind: and thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shalt fear day and night, and shalt have none assurance of thy life: in the morning thou shalt say, Would God it were even! and at even thou shalt say, Would God it were morning! for the fear of thine heart wherewith thou shalt fear, and for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see. But Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, hear our supplications; and grant unto those to whom Thou hast give a firm hope in Thee, the aid of Thine accustomed mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, XII. 31—37.

JESUS said unto the Pharisees, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men: but the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men. And whosoever speaketh a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but whosoever

speaketh against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, neither in the world to come. Either make the tree good, and his fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt, and his fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by his fruit. O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh. A good man out of the good treasure of the heart, bringeth forth good things: and an evil man, out of the evil treasure, bringeth forth evil things. But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned. But Thou.

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God. *As at None.*

TUESDAY, THE TWELFTH DAY OF LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

THEM. Praise the Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

MERCIFULLY grant us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, in this our holy observance, the help of Thy grace; that those things which by Thine example we perceive ought to do, by Thine assistance we may perform.
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At Terce.

THE LESSON.

DANIEL, IX. 4—8.

O LORD, the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that love Him, and them that keep His commandments; we have sinned, I have committed iniquity, and have done wickedly, I have rebelled, even by departing from Thy precepts I from Thy judgments: neither have we hearkened to Thy servants the prophets, which spake in Thy name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to the people of the land. O Lord, righteousness longeth unto Thee, but unto us confusion of faces, as this day; to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and unto all Israel, that are near, and that far off, through all the countries whither Thou hast

driven them, because of their trespass that they have trespassed against Thee. O Lord, to us belongeth confusion of face, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against Thee. But Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

MERCIFULLY grant us. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

DANIEL, IX. 9—14.

TO the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against Him; neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in His laws, which He set before us by His servants the prophets. Yea, all Israel have transgressed Thy law, even by departing, that they might not obey Thy voice; therefore the curse is poured upon us, and the oath that is written in the law of Moses the servant of God, because we have sinned against Him. And He hath confirmed his words which he spake against us, and against our judges that judged us, by bringing upon us a great evil: for under the whole heaven hath not been done as hath been done upon Jerusalem. As it is written in the law of Moses, all this evil is come upon us: yet made we not our prayer before the Lord our God, that we might turn from our iniquities, and understand Thy truth. Therefore hath the Lord watched upon the evil; and brought it upon us: for the Lord *our God is righteous* in all His works which He doeth: *for we obeyed not His voice.* But Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

MERCIFULLY grant us. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

DANIEL, IX. 15—19.

O LORD our God, that hast brought Thy people forth out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and hast gotten Thee renown, as at this day; we have sinned, we have done wickedly. O Lord, according to all Thy righteousness, I beseech Thee, let Thine anger and Thy fury be turned away from Thy city Jerusalem, Thy holy mountain; because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and Thy people are become a reproach to all that are about us. Now therefore, O our God, hear the prayer of Thy servant, and his supplications, and cause Thy face to shine upon Thy sanctuary that is desolate, for the Lord's sake. O my God, incline Thine ear, and hear; open Thine eyes, and behold our desolations, and the city which is called by Thy Name: for we do not present our supplications before Thee for our righteousnesses, but for Thy great mercies. O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, hearken, and do; defer not, for Thine own sake, O my God: for Thy city and Thy people are called by Thy Name. Thou therefore.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

GRACIOUSLY hear our supplications, O Lord, and heal our fainting souls; that having received Thy

pardon, we may evermore rejoice in Thy blessing; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, XII. 38—45.

THEN certain of the scribes and of the Pharisees answered Jesus, saying, Master, we would see a sign from Thee. But He answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas: for as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas is here. The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here. When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth none. Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth it empty, swept, and garnished. Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits, more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation. But Thou.

THE COLLECT.

GRACIOUSLY hear our supplications. As at None.

WEDNESDAY, THE THIRTEENTH DAY OF
LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Praise the Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

MERCIFULLY look upon Thy people, we beseech Thee, O Lord; and grant that those whom Thou hast bidden to abstain from carnal food, may also cease from sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

THE LESSON.

DEUTERONOMY, xxx. 9—14.

MOSES said unto all Israel, The Lord will again rejoice over thee for good, as he rejoiced over thy fathers: if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to keep His commandments and His statutes which are written in this book of the law, and if thou turn unto the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul. For this commandment which I command thee this day, it is not hidden from thee, neither is it far off. It is not in heaven, that thou

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shouldest say, Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it? neither is it beyond the sea, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it? but the word is very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it. And Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

MERCIFULLY look upon Thy people. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

DEUTERONOMY, xxx. 15—18.

SEE, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil; in that I command thee this day to love the Lord thy God, to walk in His ways, and to keep His commandments and His statutes and His judgments, that thou mayest live and multiply: and the Lord thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to possess it. But if thine heart turn away, so that thou wilt not hear, but shalt be drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve them; I denounce unto you this day, that ye shall surely perish, and that ye shall not prolong your days upon the land, whither thou passest over Jordan to go to possess it. But Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

MERCIFULLY look upon Thy people. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

DEUTERONOMY, xxx. 19, 20.

I CALL heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live: that thou mayest love the Lord thy God, and that thou mayest obey His voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto Him: for He is thy life, and the length of thy days. And Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, the Lover and Restorer of innocence; direct the hearts of Thy servants unto Thyself; that, being quickened by the warmth of Thy Holy Spirit, they may be found firm in faith and zealous in good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, xxiii. 1—12.

THEN spake Jesus to the multitude, and to His disciples, saying, The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses' seat: all therefore whatsoever they bid you observe, that observe and do; but do not ye after their works; for they say, and do not. For they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne, and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves will not move them

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with one of their fingers. But all their works they do for to be seen of men: they make broad their phylacteries, and enlarge the borders of their garments, and love the uppermost rooms at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues, and greetings in the markets, and to be called of men, Rabbi, Rabbi. But be not ye called Rabbi: for one is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren. And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven. Neither be ye called masters: for one is your Master, even Christ. But he that is greatest among you, shall be your servant. And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, the Lover and Restorer of innocence. *As at None.*

THURSDAY, THE FOURTEENTH DAY OF
LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Praise the Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

GRANT unto us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the help of Thy grace; that we, who give ourselves to fasting and prayer, may be delivered from all enemies both of body and soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, XVII. 5—8.

THUS saith the Lord, Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the Lord. For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh; but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, in a salt land and not inhabited. Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is. For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see

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when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit. Thus saith.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, unto us, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At Serp.

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, XVII. 9—11.

THE heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? I the Lord search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings. As the partridge sitteth on eggs, and hatcheth them not; so he that getteth riches, and not by right, shall leave them in the midst of his days, and at his end shall be a fool. Thus saith.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, unto us, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, XVII. 12—14.

A GLORIOUS high throne from the beginning, is the place of our sanctuary. O Lord, the hope of Israel, all that forsake Thee shall be ashamed, and they that depart from Me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken the Lord, the fountain of living waters. Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for Thou art my praise. Thus saith.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

BE present, O Lord, with Thy servants, who pray for Thy continual mercy; that they who glory in Thee, their Creator and Governor, may have all things renewed and preserved to them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, XI. 37—44.

AS JESUS spake unto the people, a certain Pharisee besought Him to dine with him: and He went in and sat down to meat. And when the Pharisee saw it, he marvelled that He had not first washed before dinner. And the Lord said unto him, Now do ye Pharisees make

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clean the outside of the cup and the platter ; but your inward part is full of ravening and wickedness. Ye fools, did not He that made that which is without, make that which is within also ? But rather give alms of such things as ye have ; and, behold, all things are clean unto you. But woe unto you, Pharisees ! for ye tithe mint and rue, and all manner of herbs, and pass over judgment and the love of God : these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone. Woe unto you, Pharisees ! for ye love the uppermost seats in the synagogues, and greetings in the markets. Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites ! for ye are as graves which appear not, and the men that walk over them are not aware of them. But Thou.

THE COLLECT.

BE present, O Lord, with Thy servants. *As at None.*

FRIDAY, THE FIFTEENTH DAY OF LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Praise the Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that cleansed by a holy fast, we may be brought with pure hearts to the coming festival; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terre.

THE LESSON.

LAMENTATIONS, III. 25—30.

THE Lord is good unto them that wait for Him, to the soul that seeketh Him. It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the Lord. It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth. He sitteth alone, and keepeth silence, because he hath borne it upon him. He putteth his mouth in the dust; if so be there may be hope. He giveth his cheek to him that smiteth him: he is filled full with reproach. But Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal *my soul*, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At Sext.

THE LESSON.

LAMENTATIONS, III. 31—35.

THE Lord will not cast off for ever : But though He cause grief, yet will He have compassion according to the multitude of His mercies. For He doth not afflict willingly nor grieve the children of men, to crush under His feet all the prisoners of the earth, to turn aside the right of a man before the face of the Most High. But Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd ; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

LAMENTATIONS, III. 39—47.

WHEREFORE doth a living man complain, a man for the punishment of his sins ? Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the Lord. Let us lift up our heart with our hands unto God in the heavens. We have transgressed and have rebelled : Thou hast not pardoned. Thou hast covered with anger, and persecuted us : Thou hast slain, Thou hast not pitied. Thou hast

covered Thyself with a cloud, that our prayer should not pass through. Thou hast made us as the offscouring and refuse in the midst of the people. All our enemies have opened their mouths against us. Fear and a snare is come upon us, desolation and destruction. But Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, to Thy people, health of soul and body; that they, cleaving to good works, may ever be defended by Thy strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, XXI. 28—32.

AT that time, Jesus said unto the chief priests and elders of the people, What think ye? A certain man had two sons; and he came to the first, and said, Son, go work to day in my vineyard. He answered and said, I will not: but afterward he repented, and went. And he came to the second, and said likewise. And he answered and said, I go, sir; and went not. Whether of them twain did the will of his father? They say unto him, the first. Jesus saith unto them, Verily I say unto you, That the publicans and the harlots go into the kingdom of God before you. For John came unto you in the way of righteousness, and ye believed him not; but the publicans and the harlots believed him: and ye, when ye had seen it, repented not afterward, that ye might believe him. But Thou.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee. *As at None.*

SATURDAY THE SIXTEENTH DAY OF LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Praise the Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we pray Thee, O Lord, a healthful effect to our fasts; that the privations of the flesh may be turned to the nourishment of our souls; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

THE LESSON.

GENESIS, XXV. 27—34.

NOW Esau was a cunning hunter, a man of the field; and Jacob was a plain man, dwelling in tents. And Isaac loved Esau, because he did eat of his venison: but Rebekah loved Jacob. And Jacob sod pottage: and Esau came from the field, and he was faint: and Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee, with that same red pottage; for I am faint: therefore was his name called Edom. And Jacob said, Sell me this day thy birthright. And Esau said, Behold, I am at the point to die: and what profit shall this birthright do to me? And Jacob said, Swear to me this day; and he swore unto him: and he sold his birthright unto Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of

lentiles; and he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: thus Esau despised his birthright. But Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we pray Thee. *As at Prime.*

At Ser.

THE LESSON.

GENESIS, XXVII. 1—29.

AND it came to pass, that when Isaac was old, and his eyes were dim, so that he could not see, he called Esau his eldest son, and said unto him, My son: and he said unto him, Behold, here am I. And he said, Behold now, I am old, I know not the day of my death: now therefore take, I pray thee, thy weapons, thy quiver and thy bow, and go out to the field, and take me some venison; and make me savoury meat, such as I love, and bring it to me, that I may eat; that my soul may bless thee before I die. And Rebekah heard when Isaac spake to Esau his son. And Esau went to the field to hunt for venison, and to bring it. And Rebekah spake unto Jacob her son, saying, Behold, I heard thy father speak unto Esau thy brother, saying, Bring me venison, and make me savoury meat, that I may eat, and bless thee before the Lord before my death. Now therefore, my son, obey my voice, according to that which I command thee. Go now to the flock, and fetch me from thence two good kids of the goats; and I will make them savoury meat for thy father, such as he loveth: and thou shalt bring it to thy father, that he may eat, and

that he may bless thee before his death. And Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, Behold, Esau my brother is a hairy man, and I am a smooth man : my father peradventure will feel me, and I shall seem to him as a deceiver; and I shall bring a curse upon me, and not a blessing. And his mother said unto him, Upon me be thy curse, my son : only obey my voice, and go fetch me them. And he went, and fetched, and brought them to his mother : and his mother made savoury meat, such as his father loved. And Rebekah took goodly raiment of her eldest son Esau, which were with her in the house, and put them upon Jacob her younger son : and she put the skins of the kids of the goats upon his hands, and upon the smooth of his neck : and she gave the savoury meat and the bread, which she had prepared, into the hand of her son Jacob. And he came unto his father, and said, My father : and he said, Here am I ; who art thou, my son ? And Jacob said unto his father, I am Esau thy firstborn ; I have done according as thou badest me : arise, I pray thee, sit and eat of my venison, that thy soul may bless me. And Isaac said unto his son, How is it that thou hast found it so quickly, my son ? And he said, Because the Lord thy God brought it to me. And Isaac said unto Jacob, Come near, I pray thee, that I may feel thee, my son, whether thou be my very son Esau or not. And Jacob went near unto Isaac his father ; and he felt him, and said, The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau. And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy, as his brother Esau's hands : so he blessed him. And he said, Art thou my very son Esau ? And he said, I am. And he said, Bring it near to me, and I will eat of my son's venison, that my soul may bless thee. And he brought it near to him, and he did eat : and he brought him wine, and he drank. And his father Isaac said unto him, Come near now, and kiss me, my son. And he came near, *and kissed him* : and he smelled the smell of his raiment, *and blessed him*, and said, See, the smell of my son is as

the smell of a field which the Lord hath blessed : therefore God give thee of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine : let people serve thee, and nations bow down to thee : be lord over thy brethren, and let thy mother's sons bow down to thee : cursed be every one that curseth thee, and blessed be he that blesseth thee. And Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd ; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we pray Thee. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

GENESIS, XXVII. 30—40.

AND it came to pass, as soon as Isaac had made an end of blessing Jacob, and Jacob was yet scarce gone out from the presence of Isaac his father, that Esau his brother came in from his hunting. And he also had made savoury meat, and brought it unto his father, and said unto his father, Let my father arise, and eat of his son's venison, that thy soul may bless me. And Isaac his father said unto him, Who art thou ? And he said, I am thy son, thy firstborn Esau. And Isaac trembled very exceedingly, and said, Who ? where is he that hath taken venison, and brought it me, and I have eaten of all before thou camest, and have blessed him ? yea, and he shall be blessed. And when Esau heard the words of his father, he cried with a great and exceeding bitter cry, and said unto his father, Bless me, even me also, O my father. And he said, Thy brother came with subtilty, and hath taken away thy blessing. And he said,

Is not he rightly named Jacob? for he hath supplanted me these two times: he took away my birthright; and, behold, now he hath taken away my blessing. And he said, Hast thou not reserved a blessing for me? And Isaac answered and said unto Esau, Behold, I have made him thy lord, and all his brethren have I given to him for servants; and with corn and wine have I sustained him: and what shall I do now unto thee, my son? And Esau said unto his father, Hast thou but one blessing, my father? bless me, even me also, O my father. And Esau lifted up his voice, and wept. And Isaac his father answered and said unto him, Behold, thy dwelling shall be the fatness of the earth, and of the dew of heaven from above; and by thy sword shalt thou live, and shalt serve thy brother; and it shall come to pass when thou shalt have the dominion, that thou shalt break his yoke from off thy neck. And Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of Thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of Thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, xv. 11—32.

JESUS spake this parable unto the scribes and Pharisees, saying; A certain man had two sons: and the younger of them said to his father, Father, give me

the portion of goods that falleth to me. And he divided unto them his living. And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living. And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he began to be in want. And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him. And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants. And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him. And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. But the father said to his servants, Bring forth the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet: and bring hither the fatted calf, and kill it; and let us eat, and be merry: for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry. Now his elder son was in the field: and as he came and drew nigh to the house, he heard musick and dancing. And he called one of the servants, and asked what these things meant. And he said unto him, Thy brother is come; and thy father hath killed the fatted calf, because he hath received him safe and sound. And he was angry, and would not go in: therefore came his father out, and intreated him. And he answering said to his father, Lo, these many years do I serve thee, neither transgressed I at any time thy commandment: and yet

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thou never gavest me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends: but as soon as this thy son was come, which hath devoured thy living with harlots, thou hast killed for him the fatted calf. And he said unto him, Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine. It was meet that we should make merry, and be glad: for this thy brother was dead, and is alive again; and was lost, and is found. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, Almighty God. *As at None.*

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM XXV.

UNTO Thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in Thee: * O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me.

For all they that hope in Thee shall not be ashamed; * but such as transgress without a cause shall be put to confusion.

Shew me Thy ways, O Lord, * and teach me Thy paths.

Lead me forth in Thy truth, and learn me; * for Thou art the God of my salvation; in Thee hath been my hope all the day long.

Call to remembrance, O Lord, Thy tender mercies, * and Thy loving-kindnesses, which have been ever of old.

O remember not the sins and offences of my youth; * but according to Thy mercy think Thou upon me, O Lord, for Thy goodness.

Gracious and righteous is the Lord; * therefore will He teach sinners in the way.

Them that are meek shall He guide in judgment; * and such as are gentle, them shall He learn His way.

All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth, * unto such as keep His covenant, and His testimonies.

For Thy Name's sake, O Lord, * be merciful unto my sin, for it is great.

WHAT man is he, that feareth the Lord ; * him shall He teach in the way that He shall choose.

His soul shall dwell at ease ; * and his seed shall inherit the land.

The secret of the Lord is among them that fear Him ; * and He will shew them His covenant.

Mine eyes are ever looking unto the Lord ; * for He shall pluck my feet out of the net.

Turn Thee unto me, and have mercy upon me ; * for I am desolate, and in misery.

The sorrows of my heart are enlarged : * O bring Thou me out of my troubles.

Look upon my adversity and misery ; * and forgive me all my sin.

Consider mine enemies, how many they are ; * and they bear a tyrannous hate against me.

O keep my soul, and deliver me : * let me not be confounded, for I have put my trust in Thee.

Let perfectness and righteous dealing wait upon me ; * for my hope hath been in Thee.

Deliver Israel, O God, * out of all his troubles.

PSALM XXVI.

BE Thou my Judge, O Lord, for I have walked innocently : * my trust hath been also in the Lord, therefore shall I not fall.

Examine me, O Lord, and prove me ; * try out my reins and my heart.

For Thy loving-kindness is ever before mine eyes ; * and I will walk in Thy truth.

I have not dwelt with vain persons ; * neither will I have fellowship with the deceitful.

I have hated the congregation of the wicked ; * and will not sit among the ungodly.

I will wash my hands in innocency, O Lord ; * and so will I go to Thine altar ;

*That I may shew the voice of thanksgiving, * and tell of all Thy wondrous works.*

Lord, I have loved the habitation of Thy house, * and the place where Thine honour dwelleth.

O shut not up my soul with the sinners ; * nor my life with the blood-thirsty ;

In whose hands is wickedness ; * and their right hand is full of gifts.

But as for me, I will walk innocently : * O deliver me, and be merciful unto me.

My foot standeth right : * I will praise the Lord in the congregations.

ANTHEM. Lord, I have loved the habitation of Thy house, and the place where Thine honour dwelleth ; O shut not up my soul with the sinners, nor my life with the blood-thirsty.

THE LESSON.

HEBREWS, XII. 14—17.

FOLLOW peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord : looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God ; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled ; lest there be any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, who for one morsel of meat sold his birth-right. For ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected : for he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears. But Thou.

THE COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of Thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of Thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terre.

ANTHEM. Gracious and righteous is the Lord; therefore will He teach sinners in the way: them that are meek shall He guide in judgment; and such as are gentle, them shall He learn His way.

THE LESSON.

EPHESIANS, v. 1—5.

BE ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; and walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given Himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savour. But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints; neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks. For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. And Thou.

V. I will say unto the Lord, Thou art my hope and my stronghold.

R. My God, in Him will I trust.

At Sept.

ANTHEM. The secret of the Lord is among them that fear Him; and He will show them His covenant.

THE LESSON.

EPHESIANS, v. 6—14.

LET no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God

upon the children of disobedience. Be not ye therefore partakers with them. For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord : walk as children of light : (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth ;) proving what is acceptable unto the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them. For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret. But all things that are reprov'd are made manifest by the light : for whatsoever doth make manifest is light. Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light. And Thou.

V. He shall give His angels charge over thee.

R. To keep thee in all Thy ways.

At None.

ANTHEM. Be Thou My judge, O Lord, for I have walked innocently ; my trust hath been also in the Lord.

THE LESSON.

COLOSSIANS, III. 5—11.

MORTIFY therefore your members which are upon the earth ; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry : For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience : in the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them. But now ye also put off all these ; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth. Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the *old man with his deeds* ; and have put on the *new man*,

which is renewed in knowledge after the image of Him that created him : where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free : but Christ is all, and in all. And Thou.

V. He shall defend thee under His wings.

R. And thou shalt be safe under His feathers.


At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, XI. 14—28.

JESUS was casting out a devil, and it was dumb. And it came to pass, when the devil was gone out, the dumb spake ; and the people wondered. But some of them said, He casteth out devils through Beelzebub, the chief of the devils. And others, tempting Him, sought of Him a sign from heaven. But He, knowing their thoughts, said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation ; and a house divided against a house falleth. If Satan also be divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand ? because ye say, that I cast out devils through Beelzebub. And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your sons cast them out ? therefore shall they be your judges. But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you. When a strong man armed keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace ; but when a stronger than he shall come upon him, and overcome him, he taketh from him all his armour wherein he trusted, and divideth his spoils. He that is not with Me is against Me ; and he that gathereth not with Me scattereth. When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest ; and

finding none, he saith, I will return unto my house whence I came out. And when he cometh, he findeth it swept and garnished. Then goeth he, and taketh to him seven other spirits more wicked than himself; and they enter in, and dwell there; and the last state of that man is worse than the first. And it came to pass, as He spake these things, a certain woman of the company lift up her voice, and said unto Him, Blessed is the womb that bare Thee, and the paps which Thou hast sucked. But He said, Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the Word of God, and keep it. And Thou.



MONDAY, THE SEVENTEENTH DAY OF
LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. LORD, I have loved. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, pour Thy grace into our hearts; that as we abstain from carnal food, so also we may withdraw our senses from all hurtful excesses; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

THE LESSON.

1 KINGS, XVII. 8—16.

THE word of the Lord came unto the prophet Elijah, saying, Arise, get thee to Zarephath, which belongeth to Zidon, and dwell there: behold, I have commanded a widow woman there to sustain thee. So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, the widow woman was there gathering of sticks: and he called to her, and said, Fetch me, I pray thee, a little water in a vessel, that I may drink. And as she was going to fetch it, he called to her, and said, Bring me, I pray thee, a morsel of bread in thine hand. And she said, As the Lord thy

God liveth, I have not a cake, but an handful of meal in a barrel, and a little oil in a cruse : and, behold, I am gathering two sticks, that I may go in and dress it for me and my son, that we may eat it, and die. And Elijah said unto her, Fear not ; go and do as thou hast said : but make me thereof a little cake first, and bring it unto me, and after make for thee and for thy son. For thus saith the Lord God of Israel, The barrel of meal shall not waste, neither shall the cruse of oil fail, until the day that the Lord sendeth rain upon the earth. And she went and did according to the saying of Elijah : and she, and he, and her house, did eat many days. And the barrel of meal wasted not, neither did the cruse of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord, which He spake by Elijah. And Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

2 KINGS, v. 1—8.

NOW Naaman, captain of the host of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master, and honourable, because by him the Lord had given deliverance unto Syria : he was also a mighty man in valour ; but he was a leper. And the Syrians had gone out by companies, and had brought away captive out of the land of Israel a little maid ; and she waited on Naaman's wife. And she said unto her mistress, Would God my Lord were with the prophet that is in Samaria ! for he

would recover him of his leprosy. And one went in, and told his lord, saying, Thus and thus said the maid that is of the land of Israel. And the king of Syria said, Go to, go, and I will send a letter unto the king of Israel. And he departed, and took with him ten talents of silver, and six thousand pieces of gold, and ten changes of raiment. And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, saying, Now when this letter is come unto thee, behold, I have therewith sent Naaman my servant to thee, that thou mayest recover him of his leprosy. And it came to pass, when the king of Israel had read the letter, that he rent his clothes, and said, Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man doth send unto me to recover a man of his leprosy? wherefore consider, I pray you, and see how he seeketh a quarrel against me. And it was so, when Elisha the man of God had heard that the king of Israel had rent his clothes, that he sent to the king, saying, Wherefore hast thou rent thy clothes? let him come now to me, and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel. And Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd ; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

2 KINGS, v. 9—15.

SO Naaman came with his horses and with his chariot, and stood at the door of the house of Elisha. And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying, Go and wash

in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean. But Naaman was wroth, and went away, and said, Behold, I thought, He will surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the Lord his God, and strike his hand over the place, and recover the leper. Are not Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? may I not wash in them, and be clean? So he turned and went away in a rage. And his servants came near, and spake unto him, and said, My father, if the prophet had bid thee do some great thing, wouldest thou not have done it? how much rather then, when he saith to thee, Wash, and be clean? Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean. And he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and came, and stood before him: and he said, Behold, now I know that there is no God in all the earth, but in Israel. And Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

EXTEND, O Lord, Thy mercy to us; that by Thy protection, we may be freed from the great peril of our sins, and be saved by Thy mighty aid; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, IV. 23—30.

AS Jesus taught in the synagogue at Nazareth, He said, *Ye will surely say unto Me this proverb,*

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Physician, heal thyself: whatsoever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in Thy country. And He said, Verily I say unto you, No prophet is accepted in his own country. But I tell you of a truth, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elias, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, when great famine was throughout all the land; but unto none of them was Elias sent, save unto Sarepta, a city of Sidon, unto a woman that was a widow. And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Eliseus the prophet; and none of them was cleansed, saving Naaman the Syrian. And all they in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath, and rose up, and thrust Him out of the city, and led Him unto the brow of the hill whereon their city was built, that they might cast Him down headlong. But He passing through the midst of them went His way. And Thou. •

THE COLLECT.

EXTEND, O Lord, Thy mercy. *As at None.*

TUESDAY, THE EIGHTEENTH DAY OF
LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Lord, I have loved. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

HEAR us, O Almighty and merciful God, and grant to us the gift of healthful continence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, I. 2—4.

HEAR, O heavens, and give ear, O earth: for the Lord hath spoken, I have nourished and brought up children, and they have rebelled against Me. The ox knoweth his owner, and the ass his master's crib: but Israel doth not know, My people doth not consider. Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the Lord, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger, they are gone away backward. Thus saith.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

HEAR us, O Almighty and merciful God. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, I. 16—18.

WASH you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before Mine eyes; cease to do evil; learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow. Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool. Thus saith.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

HEAR us, O Almighty and merciful God. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, X. 23—24.

O LORD, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps. O Lord, correct me, but with judgment; *not in Thine anger, lest Thou bring me to nothing. Thus saith.*

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.
R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

DEFEND us, O Lord, by Thy protection, and keep us evermore from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, IV. 31—37.

JESUS came down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee, and taught them on the sabbath days. And they were astonished at His doctrine: for His word was with power. And in the synagogue there was a man, which had a spirit of an unclean devil, and cried out with a loud voice, saying, Let us alone; what have we to do with Thee, Thou Jesus of Nazareth? art Thou come to destroy us? I know Thee who Thou art; the Holy One of God. And Jesus rebuked him, saying, Hold thy peace, and come out of him. And when the devil had thrown him in the midst, he came out of him, and hurt him not. And they were all amazed, and spake among themselves, saying, What a word is this! for with authority and power He commandeth the unclean spirits, and they come out. And the fame of Him went out into every place of the country round about. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

DEFEND us, O Lord. *As at None.*

WEDNESDAY, THE NINETEENTH DAY OF
LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Lord, I have loved. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

GRANT to us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that purified by health-giving fasts, and abstaining also from all hurtful vices, we may the more easily obtain Thy mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LXIII. 17—19.

O LORD, why hast Thou made us to err from Thy ways, and hardened our heart from Thy fear? Return for Thy servants' sake, the tribes of Thine inheritance. The people of Thy holiness have possessed it but a little while: our adversaries have trodden down Thy sanctuary. We are Thine: Thou never barest rule over them; they were not called by Thy Name. But Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT to us, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LXIV. 1—4.

OH that Thou wouldest rend the heavens, that Thou wouldest come down, that the mountains might flow down at Thy Presence, as when the melting fire burneth, the fire causeth the waters to boil; to make Thy Name known to Thine adversaries, that the nations may tremble at Thy Presence! When Thou didst terrible things which we looked not for, Thou camest down, the mountains flowed down at Thy Presence. For since the beginning of the world men have not heard, nor perceived by the ear, neither hath the eye seen, O God, beside Thee, what He hath prepared for him that waiteth for Him. Thus saith.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT to us, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LXIV. 6—9.

BUT we are all as an unclean thing, and all our *righteousnesses* are as filthy rags; and we all do

fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away. And there is none that calleth upon Thy Name, that stirreth up himself to take hold of Thee: for Thou hast hid Thy face from us, and hast consumed us, because of our iniquities. But now, O Lord, Thou art our Father: we are the clay, and Thou our potter; and we all are the work of Thy hand. Be not wroth very sore, O Lord, neither remember iniquity for ever: behold, see, we beseech Thee, we are all Thy people. Thus saith.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT; we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we, who seek the protection of Thy grace, being freed from all evils, may serve Thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, iv. 38—44.

AND Jesus arose out of the synagogue, and entered into Simon's house. And Simon's wife's mother was taken with a great fever; and they besought Him for her. And He stood over her, and rebuked the fever; and it left her: and immediately she arose and ministered unto them. Now when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with divers diseases brought them unto Him; and He laid His hands on every one of them, and healed them. And devils also came out of many, crying out, and saying, Thou art Christ the

Son of God. And He rebuking them suffered them not to speak : for they knew that He was Christ. And when it was day, He departed and went into a desert place : and the people sought Him, and came unto Him, and stayed Him, that He should not depart from them. And He said unto them, I must preach the kingdom of God to other cities also : for therefore am I sent. And He preached in the synagogues of Galilee. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee. *As at None.*

THURSDAY, THE TWENTIETH DAY OF
LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Lord, I have loved. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

CLEANSE our hearts, O God, from all sin, that we may not be cast out of Thine house, but evermore worthily serve Thee in Thy holy temple; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terre.

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, VII. 1—7.

THE word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord, saying, Stand in the gate of the Lord's house, and proclaim there this word, and say, Hear the word of the Lord, all ye of Judah, that enter in at these gates to worship the Lord. Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, Amend your ways and your doings, and I will cause you to dwell in this place. Trust ye not in lying words, saying, The temple of the Lord, The temple of the Lord, The temple of the Lord, are these. For *if ye thoroughly amend your ways and your doings; if ye*

thoroughly execute judgment between a man and his neighbour; if ye oppress not the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, and shed not innocent blood in this place, neither walk after other gods to your hurt: then will I cause you to dwell in this place, in the land that I gave to your fathers, for ever and ever. Thus saith.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

CLEANSE our hearts, O God. *As at Prime.*

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THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, VII. 8—11.

BEHOLD, ye trust in lying words, that cannot profit. Will ye steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and burn incense unto Baal, and walk after other gods whom ye know not; and come and stand before Me in this house, which is called by My Name, and say, We are delivered to do all these abominations? Is this house, which is called by My Name, become a den of robbers in your eyes? Behold, even I have seen it, saith the Lord. Thus saith.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

CLEANSE our hearts, O God. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, VII. 12—16.

GO ye now unto My place which was in Shiloh, where I set My Name at the first, and see what I did to it for the wickedness of My people Israel. And now, because ye have done all these works, saith the Lord, and I spake unto you, rising up early and speaking, but ye heard not; and I called you, but ye answered not; therefore will I do unto this house, which is called by My Name, wherein ye trust, and unto the place which I gave to you and to your fathers, as I have done to Shiloh. And I will cast you out of My sight, as I have cast out all your brethren, even the whole seed of Ephraim. Therefore pray not thou for this people, neither lift up cry nor prayer for them, neither make intercession to Me: for I will not hear thee. Thus saith.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

MAY Thy heavenly Atonement, O Lord, we beseech Thee, enlarge Thy subject people, and cause them alway to keep Thy commandments; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, II. 12—17.

A*F*TER this, Jesus went down to Capernaum, He, and His mother, and His brethren, and His disciples:

and they continued there not many days. And the Jews' passover was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and found in the temple those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting: and when He had made a scourge of small cords, He drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables; and said unto them that sold doves, Take these things hence; make not My Father's house an house of merchandise. And His disciples remembered that it was written, The zeal of Thine house hath eaten Me up. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

MAY Thy heavenly Atonement. *As at None.*

FRIDAY, THE TWENTY-FIRST DAY OF
LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Lord, I have loved. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

LET Thy gracious favour, O Lord, attend our fasts ;
that as we outwardly abstain from food, so we may
inwardly fast from sin ; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

At Terce.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LV. 1—5.

HO, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters,
and he that hath no money ; come ye, buy, and
eat ; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and
without price. Wherefore do ye spend money for that
which is not bread ? and your labour for that which
satisfieth not ? Harken diligently unto Me, and eat ye
that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in
fatness. Incline your ear, and come unto Me : hear,
and your soul shall live ; and I will make an everlasting
covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David.
*Behold, I have given Him for a Witness to the people,
a Leader and Commander to the people. Behold, Thou*

shalt call a nation that Thou knowest not, and nations that knew not Thee shall run unto Thee because of the Lord Thy God, and for the Holy One of Israel; for He hath glorified Thee. Thus saith.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

LET Thy gracious favour. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, vii. 37—44.

AT that time, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto Me and drink. He that believeth on Me, as the Scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. (But this spake He of the Spirit, which they that believe on Him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.) Many of the people therefore, when they heard this saying, said, Of a truth this is the Prophet. Others said, This is the Christ. But some said, Shall Christ come out of Galilee? Hath not the Scripture said, That Christ cometh of the seed of David, and out of the town of Bethlehem, where David was? So there was a division among the people because of Him. And some of them would have taken Him; but no man laid hands on Him. But Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

LET Thy gracious favour. *As at Prime.*

At Home.**THE LESSON.**

S. JOHN, VII. 45—53.

THEN came the officers to the chief priests and Pharisees; and they said unto them, Why have ye not brought Him? The officers answered, Never man spake like this man. Then answered them the Pharisees, Are ye also deceived? Have any of the rulers or of the Pharisees believed on him? But this people who knoweth not the law are cursed. Nicodemus saith unto them, (he that came to Jesus by night, being one of them,) Doth our law judge any man, before it hear him, and know what he doeth? They answered and said unto him, Art thou also of Galilee? Search, and look: for out of Galilee ariseth no prophet. And every man went unto his own house. But Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

BE Thou nigh at hand, O Lord Almighty; that we, trusting in Thy protection, may, by Thy help, overcome all our adversaries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.**THE LESSON.**

S. JOHN, IV. 3—14.

JESUS left Judæa, and departed again into Galilee. And He must needs go through Samaria. Then

cometh He to a city of Samaria, which is called Sychar, near to the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied with His journey, sat thus on the well : and it was about the sixth hour. There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water : Jesus saith unto her, Give Me to drink. (For His disciples were gone away unto the city to buy meat.) Then saith the woman of Samaria unto Him, How is it that Thou, being a Jew, askest drink of me, which am a woman of Samaria ? for the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans. Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and Who it is that saith to thee, Give Me to drink ; thou wouldest have asked of Him, and He would have given thee living water. The woman saith unto Him, Sir, Thou hast nothing to draw with, and the well is deep : from whence then hast Thou that living water ? Art Thou greater than our father Jacob, which gave us the well, and drank thereof himself, and his children, and his cattle ? Jesus answered and said unto her, Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again : but whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him, shall never thirst ; but the water that I shall give him, shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

BE Thou nigh at hand. *As at None.*

SATURDAY, THE TWENTY-SECOND DAY
OF LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Lord, I have loved. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we, who, by fasting, afflict our bodies, by abstaining from sin, may attain to righteousness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

THE LESSON.

EZEKIEL, xxxvi. 16—21.

THE word of the Lord came unto me, saying, Son of man, when the house of Israel dwelt in their own land, they defiled it by their own way, and by their doings: their way was before Me as the uncleanness of a removed woman. Wherefore I poured My fury upon them for the blood that they had shed upon the land, and for their idols wherewith they had polluted it: and I scattered them among the heathen, and they were dispersed through the countries: according to their way, and according to their doings, I judged them. And when they entered unto the heathen, whither they went,

they profaned My holy Name, when they said to them, These are the people of the Lord, and are gone forth out of His land. But I had pity for Mine holy Name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the heathen, whither they went. Thus saith.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

EZEKIEL, XXXVI. 22—27.

THEREFORE say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord God; I do not this for your sakes, O house of Israel, but for Mine holy Name's sake, which ye have profaned among the heathen, whither ye went. And I will sanctify My great Name, which was profaned among the heathen, which ye have profaned in the midst of them; and the heathen shall know that I am the Lord, saith the Lord God, when I shall be sanctified in you before their eyes. For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land. Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put My spirit within you,

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and cause you to walk in My statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them. Thus saith.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd ; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

EZEKIEL, xxxvi. 33—36.

THUS saith the Lord God, In the day that I shall have cleansed you from all your iniquities, I will also cause you to dwell in the cities, and the wastes shall be builded. And the desolate land shall be tilled, whereas it lay desolate in the sight of all that passed by. And they shall say, This land that was desolate is become like the garden of Eden ; and the waste, and desolate, and ruined cities, are become fenced, and are inhabited. Then the heathen that are left round about you, shall know that I the Lord build the ruined places, and plant that that was desolate : I the Lord have spoken it, and I will do it. Thus saith.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of Thy grace, may mercifully *be relieved ;* through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, v. 39—47.

AT that time, Jesus said unto the Jews, Search the Scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of Me. And ye will not come to Me, that ye might have life. I receive not honour from men. But I know you, that ye have not the love of God in you. I am come in My Father's Name, and ye receive Me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive. How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that cometh from God only? Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: 'there is one that accuseth you, even Moses, in whom ye trust. For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed Me: for he wrote of Me. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe My words? But Thou.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee. *As at None.*

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM XXXII.

BLESSED is he whose unrighteousness is forgiven,*
and whose sin is covered.

Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth no sin;* and in whose spirit there is no guile.

For while I held my tongue,* my bones consumed away through my daily complaining.

For Thy hand is heavy upon me day and night;* and my moisture is like the drought in summer.

I will acknowledge my sin unto Thee;* and mine unrighteousness have I not hid.

I said, I will confess my sins unto the Lord;* and so Thou forgavest the wickedness of my sin.

For this shall every one that is godly make his prayer unto Thee, in a time when Thou mayest be found;* but in the great water-floods they shall not come nigh Him.

Thou art a place to hide me in, Thou shalt preserve me from trouble;* Thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance.

I will inform thee, and teach thee in the way wherein thou shalt go;* and I will guide thee with Mine eye.

Be ye not like to horse and mule, which have no understanding;* whose mouths must be held with bit and bridle, lest they fall upon thee.

Great plagues remain for the ungodly;* but whose putteth his trust in the Lord, mercy embraceth him on every side.

Be glad, O ye righteous, and rejoice in the Lord ; *
and be joyful, all ye that are true of heart.

PSALM XXXVI.

MY heart sheweth me the wickedness of the ungodly ; * that there is no fear of God before his eyes.

For he flattereth himself in his own sight, * until his abominable sin be found out.

The words of his mouth are unrighteous, and full of deceit : * he hath left off to behave himself wisely, and to do good.

He imagineth mischief upon his bed, and hath set himself in no good way ; * neither doth he abhor any thing that is evil.

Thy mercy, O Lord, reacheth unto the heavens ; * and Thy faithfulness unto the clouds.

Thy righteousness standeth like the strong mountains ; * Thy judgments are like the great deep.

Thou, Lord, shalt save both man and beast ; How excellent is Thy mercy, O God ; * and the children of men shall put their trust under the shadow of Thy wings.

They shall be satisfied with the plenteousness of Thy house ; * and Thou shalt give them drink of Thy pleasures, as out of the river.

For with Thee is the well of life ; * and in Thy light shall we see light.

O continue forth Thy loving-kindness unto them that know Thee ; * and Thy righteousness unto them that are true of heart.

O let not the foot of pride come against me ; * and let not the hand of the ungodly cast me down.

There are they fallen, all that work wickedness : * they are cast down, and shall not be able to stand.

PSALM LXII.

MY soul truly waiteth still upon God ; * for of Him cometh my salvation.

He verily is my strength and my salvation : * He is my defence, so that I shall not greatly fall.

How long will ye imagine mischief against every man : * ye shall be slain all the sort of you ; yea, as a tottering wall shall ye be, and like a broken hedge.

Their device is only how to put him out whom God will exalt : * their delight is in lies ; they give good words with their mouth, but curse with their heart.

Nevertheless, my soul, wait thou still upon God ; * for my hope is in Him.

He truly is my strength and my salvation : * He is my defence, so that I shall not fall.

In God is my health, and my glory : * the rock of my might, and in God is my trust.

O put your trust in Him alway, ye people ; * pour out your hearts before Him, for God is our hope.

As for the children of men, they are but vanity : * the children of men are deceitful upon the weights, they are altogether lighter than vanity itself.

O trust not in wrong and robbery, give not yourselves unto vanity ; * if riches increase, set not your heart upon them.

God spake once, and twice I have also heard the same, * that power belongeth unto God ;

And that Thou, Lord, art merciful ; * for Thou rewardest every man according to his work.

ANTHEM. How excellent is Thy mercy, O God ; the children of men shall put their trust under the shadow of Thy wings.

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, IX. 23, 24.

THUS saith the Lord, Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his

might, let not the rich man glory in his riches : but let him that glorieth, glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth Me, that I am the Lord which exercise loving-kindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth. Thus saith.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of Thy grace may mercifully be relieved ; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

At Terre.

ANTHEM. I said, I will confess my sins unto the Lord ; and so Thou forgavest the wickedness of my sin.

THE LESSON.

GALATIANS, IV. 22—27.

IT is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a freewoman. But he who was of the bondwoman was born after the flesh ; but he of the freewoman was by promise. Which things are an allegory : for these are the two covenants ; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar. For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children. But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all. For it is written, Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not ; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not : for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband. And Thou.

V. I will say unto the Lord, Thou art my hope and my stronghold.

R. My God, in Him will I trust.

At Sept.

ANTHEM. O continue forth Thy loving-kindness unto them that know Thee; and Thy righteousness unto them that are true of heart.

THE LESSON.

GALATIANS, IV. 28—31.

NOW we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise. But as then he that was born after the flesh, persecuted him that was born after the Spirit, even so it is now. Nevertheless what saith the Scripture? Cast out the bondwoman and her son: for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman. So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman, but of the free. And Thou.

V. He shall give His angels charge over thee.

R. To keep thee in all thy ways.

At None.

ANTHEM. Thou, Lord, art merciful; for Thou rewardest every man according to his work.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, VIII. 1—4.

THERE is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the

flesh, but after the spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: that the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. And Thou.

V. He shall defend thee under His wings.

R. And thou shalt be safe under His feathers.

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, VI. 1—15.

AFTER these things, Jesus went over the sea of Galilee, which is the sea of Tiberias. And a great multitude followed Him, because they saw His miracles which He did on them that were diseased. And Jesus went up into a mountain, and there He sat with His disciples. And the passover, a feast of the Jews, was nigh. When Jesus then lifted up His eyes, and saw a great company come unto Him, He saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat? And this He said to prove him: for He Himself knew what He would do. Philip answered Him, Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little. One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto Him, There is a lad here, which hath five barley loaves, and two small fishes: but what are they among so many? And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number *about five thousand*. And Jesus took the loaves;

and when He had given thanks, He distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would. When they were filled, He said unto His disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that Prophet that should come into the world. When Jesus therefore perceived that they would come and take Him by force, to make Him a king, He departed again into a mountain Himself alone. And Thou.

MONDAY, THE TWENTY-THIRD DAY OF
LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. How excellent is Thy mercy. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we, renewing these holy devotions year by year, may please Thee both in will and deed ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

THE LESSON.

1 S. JOHN, II. 1—6.

IF any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous : and He is the propitiation for our sins : and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. And hereby we do know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments. He that saith, I know Him, and keepeth not His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoso keepeth His word, in him verily is the love of God perfected : hereby know we that we are in Him. He that saith he

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abideth in Him, ought himself also to walk, even as He walked. And Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

1 S. JOHN, II. 7—11.

BRETHREN, I write no new commandment unto you, but an old commandment which ye had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word which ye have heard from the beginning. Again, a new commandment I write unto you, which thing is true in Him and in you: because the darkness is past, and the true light now shineth. He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his brother, is in darkness even until now. He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him. But he that hateth his brother is in darkness, and walketh in darkness, and knoweth not whither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes. But Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

1 S. JOHN, II. 15—17.

LOVE not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever. And Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

GRACIOUSLY hear our supplications, we beseech Thee, O Lord, and grant us, unto whom Thou hast given the spirit of supplication, the help of Thy defence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, VII. 15—30.

JESUS went up to Jerusalem, and taught in the temple. And the Jews marvelled, saying, How knoweth this man letters, having never learned? Jesus answered them, and said, My doctrine is not Mine, but His that sent Me. If any man will do His will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of Myself. He that speaketh of himself seeketh

his own glory : but he that seeketh His glory that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him. Did not Moses give you the law, and yet none of you keepeth the law ? Why go ye about to kill Me ? The people answered and said, Thou hast a devil : who goeth about to kill thee ? Jesus answered and said unto them, I have done one work, and ye all marvel. Moses therefore gave unto you circumcision ; (not because it is of Moses, but of the fathers ;) and ye on the sabbath day circumcise a man. If a man on the sabbath day receive circumcision, that the law of Moses should not be broken ; are ye angry at Me, because I have made a man every whit whole on the sabbath day ? Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment. Then said some of them of Jerusalem, Is not this he, whom they seek to kill ? But, lo, he speaketh boldly, and they say nothing unto him. Do the rulers know indeed that this is the very Christ ? Howbeit we know this man whence he is : but when Christ cometh, no man knoweth whence He is. Then cried Jesus in the temple as He taught, saying, Ye both know Me, and ye know whence I am : and I am not come of Myself, but He that sent Me is true, Whom ye know not. But I know Him, for I am from Him, and He hath sent Me. Then they sought to take Him : but no man laid hands on Him, because His hour was not yet come. But Thou.

THE COLLECT.

GRACIOUSLY hear our supplications. *As at None.*

TUESDAY, THE TWENTY-FOURTH DAY OF
LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. How excellent is Thy mercy. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, that the fasts of this holy season may increase the piety of our lives, and procure for us the continual aid of Thy mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terre.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, I. 18—25.

THE wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness; because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them. For the invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse: because that, when they knew God, they glorified Him not as God, neither were thankful; but be-

came vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, and changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and four-footed beasts, and creeping things. Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, Who is blessed for ever. Amen. But Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, II. 1—11.

THEREFORE thou art inexcusable, O man, who-soever thou art that judgest: for wherein thou judgest another, thou condemnest thyself; for thou that judgest doest the same things. But we are sure that the judgment of God is according to truth against them which commit such things. And thinkest thou this, O man, that judgest them which do such things, and doest the same, that thou shalt escape the judgment of God? Or despisest thou the riches of His goodness, and forbearance, and longsuffering; not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance? but after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasurest up unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath, and revelation of the

righteous judgment of God; Who will render to every man according to his deeds: to them, who by patient continuance in well doing, seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life: but unto them that are contentious, and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath, tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile; but glory, honour, and peace, to every man that worketh good, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile: for there is no respect of persons with God. But Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

ROMANS, II. 17—29.

BEHOLD, thou art called a Jew, and retest in the law, and makest thy boast of God, and knowest His will, and approvest the things that are more excellent, being instructed out of the law; and art confident that thou thyself art a guide of the blind, a light of them which are in darkness, an instructor of the foolish, a teacher of babes, which hast the form of knowledge and of the truth in the law. Thou therefore which teachest another, teachest thou not thyself? thou that preachest a man should not steal, dost thou steal? thou that sayest a man should not commit adultery, dost thou commit adultery? thou that abhorrest idols, dost thou commit *sacrilege*? thou that makest thy boast of the law, through

breaking the law dishonourest thou God? For the Name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles through you, as it is written. For circumcision verily profiteth, if thou keep the law: but if thou be a breaker of the law, thy circumcision is made uncircumcision. Therefore if the uncircumcision keep the righteousness of the law, shall not his uncircumcision be counted for circumcision? and shall not uncircumcision which is by nature, if it fulfil the law, judge thee, who by the letter and circumcision dost transgress the law? For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh: but he is a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart; in the spirit, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God. And Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

HAVE compassion, O Lord, upon Thy people, labouring under continual tribulations, and mercifully grant them rest; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, VIII. 1—11.

JESUS went unto the mount of Olives. And early in the morning He came again into the temple, and all the people came unto Him; and He sat down, and taught them. And the scribes and Pharisees brought unto Him a woman taken in adultery; and when they had set her in the midst, they say unto Him, Master,

this woman was taken in adultery, in the very act. Now Moses in the law commanded us, that such should be stoned: but what sayest thou? This they said, tempting Him, that they might have to accuse Him. But Jesus stooped down, and with His finger wrote on the ground, as though He heard them not. So when they continued asking Him, He lifted up Himself, and said unto them, He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her. And again He stooped down, and wrote on the ground. And they which heard it, being convicted by their own conscience, went out one by one, beginning at the eldest, even unto the last: and Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst. When Jesus had lifted up Himself, and saw none but the woman, He said unto her, Woman, where are those thine accusers? hath no man condemned thee? She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

HAVE compassion, O Lord. *As at None.*

WEDNESDAY, THE TWENTY-FIFTH DAY OF
LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. How excellent is Thy mercy. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, Who rewardest the just, and pardonest sinners who turn to Thee with fasting, have mercy upon Thy suppliant people: and grant that the confession of our guilt, may avail to procure for us the pardon of our sins; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terre.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, VIII. 12—20.

THEN spake Jesus again unto the Jews, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life. The Pharisees therefore said unto Him, Thou bearest record of thyself; thy record is not true. Jesus answered and said unto them, Though I bear record of Myself, yet My record is true: for I know whence I came, and whither I go; but ye cannot tell whence I come, and whither I go. Ye judge after the flesh; I

judge no man. And yet if I judge, My judgment is true: for I am not alone, but I and the Father that sent Me. It is also written in your law, that the testimony of two men is true. I am one that bear witness of Myself, and the Father that sent Me beareth witness of Me. Then said they unto Him, Where is Thy Father? Jesus answered, Ye neither know Me, nor My Father: if ye had known Me, ye should have known My Father also. These words spake Jesus in the treasury, as He taught in the temple: and no man laid hands on Him; for His hour was not yet come. And Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, who rewardest the just. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, VIII. 21—30.

THEN said Jesus again unto them, I go My way, and ye shall seek Me, and shall die in your sins: whither I go, ye cannot come. Then said the Jews, Will he kill himself? because he saith, Whither I go, ye cannot come. And He said unto them, Ye are from beneath; I am from above: ye are of this world; I am not of this world. I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am He, ye shall die in your sins. Then said they unto Him, Who art thou? And Jesus saith unto them, Even the same that I said unto you from the beginning. I have many things to say and to judge of you: but He that sent Me is true; and I speak to the

world those things which I have heard of Him. They understood not that He spake to them of the Father. Then said Jesus unto them, When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye know that I am He, and that I do nothing of Myself; but as My Father hath taught Me, I speak these things. And He that sent Me is with Me: the Father hath not left Me alone; for I do always those things that please Him. As He spake these words, many believed on Him. And Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, Who rewardest the just. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, VIII. 31—45.

THEN said Jesus to those Jews which believed on Him, If ye continue in My word, then are ye My disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. They answered Him, We be Abraham's seed, and were never in bondage to any man: how sayest thou, Ye shall be made free? Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin. And the servant abideth not in the house for ever: but the Son abideth ever. If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed. I know that ye are Abraham's seed; but ye seek to kill Me, because My word hath no place in you. I speak that which I have seen with My Father: and ye do that which ye have seen with your father. They answered and said unto Him, Abraham

is our father. Jesus saith unto them, If ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham. But now ye seek to kill Me, a man that hath told you the truth, which I have heard of God: this did not Abraham. Ye do the deeds of your father. Then said they to Him, We be not born of fornication; we have one Father, even God. Jesus said unto them, If God were your Father, ye would love Me: for I proceeded forth and came from God; neither came I of Myself, but He sent Me. Why do ye not understand My speech? even because ye cannot hear My word. Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it. And because I tell you the truth, ye believe Me not. But Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

LET Thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of Thy humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, VIII. 46—59.

JESUS said, Which of you convinceth Me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe Me? *He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore*

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hear them not, because ye are not of God. Then answered the Jews, and said unto Him, Say we not well that thou art a Samaritan, and hast a devil? Jesus answered, I have not a devil; but I honour My Father, and ye do dishonour Me. And I seek not Mine own glory: there is One that seeketh and judgeth. Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep My saying, he shall never see death. Then said the Jews unto Him, Now we know that Thou hast a devil. Abraham is dead, and the prophets; and Thou sayest, If a man keep My saying, he shall never taste of death. Art Thou greater than our father Abraham, which is dead? and the prophets are dead: whom makest thou thyself? Jesus answered, If I honour Myself, My honour is nothing: it is My Father that honoureth Me; of Whom ye say, that He is your God: yet ye have not known Him; but I know Him: and if I should say, I know Him not, I shall be a liar like unto you: but I know Him, and keep His saying. Your father Abraham rejoiced to see My day: and he saw it and was glad. Then said the Jews unto Him, Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast Thou seen Abraham? Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I AM. Then took they up stones to cast at Him: but Jesus hid Himself, and went out of the temple, going through the midst of them, and so passed by. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

LET Thy merciful ears. *As at None.*

THURSDAY, THE TWENTY-SIXTH DAY
OF LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. How excellent is Thy mercy. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we, who chasten ourselves by devout fastings, may also find joy in this holy devotion; that being loosened from the love of earthly things, we may the more easily attain to heavenly happiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terre.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, IX. 1—11.

AND as Jesus passed by, He saw a man which was blind from his birth. And His disciples asked Him, saying Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind; Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents; but that the works of God should be made manifest in him. I must work the works of Him that sent Me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world. When He had thus

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spoken, He spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and He anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay, and said unto him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam, (which is by interpretation, Sent.) He went his way therefore, and washed, and came seeing. The neighbours therefore, and they which before had seen him that he was blind, said, Is not this he that sat and begged? Some said, This is he: others said, He is like him: but he said, I am he. Therefore said they unto him, How were thine eyes opened? He answered and said, A man that is called Jesus made clay, and anointed mine eyes, and said unto me, Go to the pool of Siloam, and wash: and I went and washed, and I received sight. But Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, IX. 13—23.

THEY brought to the Pharisees him that aforetime was blind. And it was the sabbath day when Jesus made the clay, and opened his eyes. Then again the Pharisees also asked him how he had received his sight. He said unto them, He put clay upon mine eyes, and I washed, and do see. Therefore said some of the Pharisees, This man is not of God, because he keepeth not the sabbath day. Others said, How can a man that is a sinner do such miracles? And there was a division among them. They say unto the blind man again,

What sayest thou of him ; that he hath opened thine eyes ? He said, He is a prophet. But the Jews did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind, and received his sight, until they called the parents of him that had received his sight. And they asked them, saying, Is this your son, who ye say was born blind ? how then doth he now see ? His parents answered them and said, We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind : but by what means he now seeth, we know not ; or who hath opened his eyes, we know not : he is of age ; ask him : he shall speak for himself. These words spake his parents, because they feared the Jews : for the Jews had agreed already, that if any man did confess that He was Christ, he should be put out of the synagogue. Therefore said his parents, He is of age ; ask him. But Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd ; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, IX. 24—34.

THEN again called they the man that was blind, and said unto him, Give God the praise : we know that this man is a sinner. He answered and said, Whether he be a sinner or no, I know not : one thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see. Then said they to him again, What did he to thee ? how opened he thine eyes ? He answered them, I have told you

already, and ye did not hear : wherefore would ye hear it again? will ye also be his disciples? Then they reviled him, and said, Thou art his disciple ; but we are Moses' disciples. We know that God spake unto Moses : as for this fellow, we know not from whence he is. The man answered and said unto them, Why herein is a marvellous thing, that ye know not from whence he is, and yet he hath opened mine eyes. Now we know that God heareth not sinners : but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth His will, him He heareth. Since the world began was it not heard that any man opened the eyes of one that was born blind. If This man were not of God, he could do nothing. They answered and said unto him, Thou wast altogether born in sins, and dost thou teach us? And they cast him out. But Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, the Lawgiver and Ruler of Thy people ; drive from us those sins by which we are assaulted, that, ever pleasing Thee, we may be safe under Thy protection ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, ix. 35—41.

JESUS heard that they had cast him, whom He had healed of his blindness, out ; and when He had found him, He said unto him, Dost thou believe on the Son of God? He answered and said, Who is He, Lord, that I might believe on Him? And Jesus said unto

him, Thou hast both seen Him, and it is He that talketh with thee. And he said, Lord, I believe. And he worshipped Him. And Jesus said, For judgment I am come into this world, that they which see not might see; and that they which see might be made blind. And some of the Pharisees which were with Him heard these words, and said unto Him, Are we blind also? Jesus said unto them, If ye were blind, ye should have no sin: but now ye say, We see; therefore your sin remaineth. But Thou.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, the Lawgiver and Ruler. *As at None.*

FRIDAY, THE TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY OF
LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. How excellent is Thy mercy. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, Who by Thine unspeakable mysteries givest new life to the world; grant, we beseech Thee, that Thy Church may prosper in heavenly discipline, and yet not be wholly destitute of earthly succour; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, x. 1—6.

JESUS said unto the Jews, Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his

voice. And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him : for they know not the voice of strangers. This parable spake Jesus unto them : but they understood not what things they were which He spake unto them. But Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, Who by Thine unspeakable mysteries. *As at Prime.*

At Ser.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, x. 7—16.

THEN said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep. All that ever came before Me are thieves and robbers : but the sheep did not hear them. I am the door : by Me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy : I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. I am the good Shepherd : the good Shepherd giveth His life for the sheep. But he that is an hireling, and not the Shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth : and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep. The hireling fleeth because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep. I am the good Shepherd, and know My sheep, and am known of Mine. As the Father knoweth Me, even so know I the Father : and I lay down My life for the sheep. And other sheep

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I have, which are not of this fold : them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice ; and there shall be one fold, and one Shepherd. And Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd ; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, Who by Thine unspeakable mysteries. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, x. 17—21.

THEREFORE doth My Father love Me, because I lay down My life, that I might take it again. No man taketh it from Me, but I lay it down of Myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of My Father. There was a division therefore again among the Jews for these sayings. And many of them said, He hath a devil, and is mad ; why hear ye him ? Others said, These are not the words of him that hath a devil. Can a devil open the eyes of the blind ? But Thou.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we, who knowing our own infirmity, trust in Thy power, may ever rejoice in Thy love ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, x. 23—42.

AND Jesus walked in the temple in Solomon's porch. Then came the Jews round about Him, and said unto Him, How long dost thou make us to doubt? If thou be the Christ, tell us plainly. Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in My Father's Name, they bear witness of Me. But ye believe not, because ye are not of My sheep, as I said unto you. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me: and I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of My hand. My Father, which gave them Me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of My Father's hand. I and My Father are one. Then the Jews took up stones again to stone Him. Jesus answered them, Many good works have I shewed you from My Father: for which of those works do ye stone Me? The Jews answered Him, saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that thou, being a man, makest thyself God. Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods? If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the Scripture cannot be broken; say ye of Him, Whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God? If I do not the works of My Father, believe Me not. But if I do, though ye believe not Me, believe the works: that ye may know, and believe, that the Father is in Me, and I in Him. Therefore they sought again to take Him: but He escaped out of their hand, and went away again beyond Jordan into the place where John at first baptized; and there

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He abode. And many resorted unto Him, and said, John did no miracle: but all things that John spake of this man were true, And many believed on Him there. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God. *As at None.*

SATURDAY, THE TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY
OF LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. How excellent is Thy mercy. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

SUFFER, O Lord, we pray Thee, our devotion to be fruitful through Thy grace; for our fastings can profit us only when they are well pleasing to Thy goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, XI. 1—6.

NOW a certain man was sick, named Lazarus, of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha. (It was that Mary which anointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped His feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick.) Therefore his sisters sent unto Him, saying, Lord, behold, he whom Thou lovest is sick. When Jesus heard that, He said, This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God might be glorified thereby. Now Jesus loved Martha,
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and her sister, and Lazarus. When He had heard therefore that he was sick, He abode two days still in the same place where He was. And Thou.

V. Lord, be merciful unto me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

THE COLLECT.

SUFFER, O Lord, we pray Thee. *As at Prime.*

At Ser.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, XI. 7—17.

THEN after that Jesus saith to His disciples, Let us go into Judæa again. His disciples say unto Him, Master, the Jews of late sought to stone Thee; and goest Thou thither again? Jesus answered, Are there not twelve hours in the day? If any man walk in the day, he stumbleth not, because he seeth the light of this world. But if a man walk in the night, he stumbleth, because there is no light in him. These things said He: and after that He saith unto them, Our friend Lazarus sleepeth; but I go, that I may awake him out of sleep. Then said His disciples, Lord, if he sleep, he shall do well. Howbeit Jesus spake of his death: but they thought that He had spoken of taking of rest in sleep. Then said Jesus unto them plainly, Lazarus is dead. And I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, to the intent ye may believe; nevertheless let us go unto him. Then said Thomas, which is called Didymus, unto his fellow-disciples, Let us also go, that we may die with him. Then when Jesus came, He found that he had lain in the grave four days already. But Thou.

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

R. He shall lead me forth in the green pastures.

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THE COLLECT.

SUFFER, O Lord, we pray Thee. *As at Prime.*

At None.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, XI. 18—29.

NOW Bethany was nigh unto Jerusalem, about fifteen furlongs off: and many of the Jews came to Martha and Mary, to comfort them concerning their brother. Then Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met Him: but Mary sat still in the house. Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if Thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. But I know, that even now, whatsoever Thou wilt ask of God, God will give it Thee. Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again. Martha saith unto Him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die. Believest thou this? She saith unto Him, Yea, Lord: I believe that Thou art the Christ, the Son of God, Which should come into the world. And when she had so said, she went her way, and called Mary her sister secretly, saying, The Master is come, and calleth for thee. As soon as she heard that, she arose quickly, and came unto Him. And Thou,

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults, O Lord.

R. Keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

THE COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon Thy people; that by Thy great goodness

they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, XI. 30—46.

NOW Jesus was not yet come into the town, but was in that place where Martha met Him. The Jews then which were with her in the house, and comforted her, when they saw Mary, that she rose up hastily and went out, followed her, saying, She goeth unto the grave to weep there. Then when Mary was come where Jesus was, and saw Him, she fell down at His feet, saying unto Him, Lord, if Thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, He groaned in the spirit, and was troubled, and said, Where have ye laid him? They said unto Him, Lord, come and see. Jesus wept. Then said the Jews, Behold how He loved him! And some of them said, Could not this man, which opened the eyes of the blind, have caused that even this man should not have died? Jesus therefore again groaning in Himself, cometh to the grave. It was a cave, and a stone lay upon it. Jesus said, Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto Him, Lord, by this time he stinketh: for he hath been dead four days. Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God? Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up His eyes, and said, Father, I thank Thee that Thou hast heard Me. *And I knew that Thou hearest Me always: but because of the people which stand by I said it, that they may*

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believe that Thou hast sent Me. And when He thus had spoken, He cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth. And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go. Then many of the Jews which came to Mary, and had seen the things which Jesus did, believed on Him. But some of them went their ways to the Pharisees, and told them what things Jesus had done. But Thou.

THE COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, Almighty God. *As at None.*

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At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM CXL.

DELIVER me, O Lord, from the evil man ; * and preserve me from the wicked man.

Who imagine mischief in their hearts ; * and stir up strife all the day long.

They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent : * adder's poison is under their lips.

Keep me, O Lord, from the hands of the ungodly ; * preserve me from the wicked men, who are purposed to overthrow my goings.

The proud have laid a snare for me, and spread a net abroad with cords ; * yea, and set traps in my way.

I said unto the Lord, Thou art my God ; * hear the voice of my prayers, O Lord.

O Lord God, Thou strength of my health, * Thou hast covered my head in the day of battle.

Let not the ungodly have his desire, O Lord ; * let not his mischievous imagination prosper, lest they be too proud.

Let the mischief of their own lips fall upon the head of them * that compass me about.

Let hot burning coals fall upon them ; * let them be cast into the fire, and into the pit, that they never rise up again.

A man full of words shall not prosper upon the earth : * evil shall hunt the wicked person to overthrow him.

Sure I am that the Lord will avenge the poor, * and maintain the cause of the helpless.

The righteous also shall give thanks unto Thy Name; * and the just shall continue in Thy sight.

PSALM CXLI.

LORD, I call upon Thee, haste Thee unto me; * and consider my voice when I cry unto Thee.

Let my prayer be set forth in Thy sight as the incense; * and let the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice.

Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth; * and keep the door of my lips.

O let not mine heart be inclined to any evil thing : * let me not be occupied in ungodly works with the men that work wickedness, lest I eat of such things as please them.

Let the righteous rather smite me friendly, * and reprove me.

But let not their precious balms break my head : * yea, I will pray yet against their wickedness.

Let their judges be overthrown in stony places; * that they may hear my words, for they are sweet.

Our bones lie scattered before the pit; * like as when one breaketh and heweth wood upon the earth.

But mine eyes look unto Thee, O Lord God : * in Thee is my trust, O cast not out my soul.

Keep me from the snare that they have laid for me; * and from the traps of the wicked doers.

Let the ungodly fall into their own nets together; * and let me ever escape them.

PSALM CXLIII.

HEAR my prayer, O Lord, and consider my desire : * hearken unto me for Thy truth and righteousness' sake.

And enter not into judgment with Thy servant; * *for in Thy sight shall no man living be justified.*

For the enemy hath persecuted my soul; he hath smitten my life down to the ground; * he hath laid me in the darkness, as the men that have been long dead.

Therefore is my spirit vexed within me; * and my heart within me is desolate.

Yet do I remember the time past; I muse upon all Thy works; * yea, I exercise myself in the works of Thy hands.

I stretch forth my hands unto Thee: * my soul gaspeth unto Thee as a thirsty land.

Hear me, O Lord, and that soon, for my spirit waxeth faint; * hide not Thy face from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.

O let me hear Thy loving-kindness betimes in the morning, for in Thee is my trust: * shew Thou me the way that I should walk in, for I lift up my soul unto Thee.

Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies; * for I flee unto Thee to hide me.

Teach me to do the thing that pleaseth Thee, for Thou art my God: * let Thy loving Spirit lead me forth into the land of righteousness.

Quicken me, O Lord, for Thy Name's sake; * and for Thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.

And of Thy goodness slay mine enemies; * and destroy all them that vex my soul; for I am Thy servant.

ANTHEM. Hear Me, O Lord, and that soon, for My spirit waxeth faint. Hide not Thy face from Me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, VIII. 19, to IX. 3.

BEHOLD, the voice of the cry of the daughter of My people, because of them that dwell in a far country. *Is not the Lord in Zion? is not her King in her? Why have they provoked Me to anger with their graven*

images, and with strange vanities? The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved. For the hurt of the daughter of My people am I hurt; I am black; astonishment hath taken hold on Me. Is there no balm in Gilead; is there no physician there? Why then is not the health of the daughter of My people recovered? Oh that My head were waters, and Mine eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day and night for the slain of the daughter of My people! Oh that I had in the wilderness a lodging place of wayfaring men; that I might leave My people, and go from them! for they be all adulterers, an assembly of treacherous men. And they bend their tongues like their bow for lies: but they are not valiant for the truth upon the earth; for they proceed from evil to evil, and they know not Me, saith the Lord. Thus saith.

THE COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon Thy people; that by Thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terre.

ANTHEM. Keep Me, O Lord, from the hands of the ungodly; preserve Me from the wicked men.

THE LESSON.

1 TIMOTHY, VI. 6—10.

GODLINESS with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment, let us be therewith content. But they that will

be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. But Thou.

V. My zeal hath even consumed Me.

R. Because Mine enemies have forgotten Thy words.

At Sept.

ANTHEM. Mine eyes look unto Thee, O Lord God.
In Thee is My trust; O cast not out My soul.

THE LESSON.

1 TIMOTHY, VI. 17—19.

CHARGE them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, Who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life. And Thou.

V. Many are they that trouble Me, and persecute Me.

R. Yet do I not swerve from Thy testimonies.

At None.

ANTHEM. Quicken Me, O Lord, for Thy Name's sake;
and for Thy righteousness sake, bring My soul out of trouble.

THE LESSON.

GALATIANS, VI. 7, 8.

BE not deceived ; God is not mocked : for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh, shall of the flesh reap corruption ; but he that soweth to the spirit, shall of the spirit reap life everlasting. And Thou.

V. I am troubled above measure.

R. Quicken Me, O Lord, according to Thy word.

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, XII. 15—21.

JESUS said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness : for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth. And He spake a parable unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully : and he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits ? And he said, This will I do : I will pull down my barns, and build greater ; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years ; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry. But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee : then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided ? So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich towards God. But Thou.

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LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Hear me, O Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, VIII. 19. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

SANCTIFY, O Lord, we beseech Thee, these our
Fasts; and mercifully grant us the pardon of all
our sins; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

ANTHEM. Keep Me, O Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, XI. 47—54.

THEN gathered the chief priests and the Pharisees
a council, and said, What do we? for this man
doeth many miracles. If we let him thus alone, all men
will believe on him: and the Romans shall come, and
take away both our place and nation. And one of them,
named Caiaphas, being the high priest that same year,
said unto them, Ye know nothing at all, nor consider

that it is expedient for us, that one man should die for the people, and that the whole nation perish not. And this spake he not of himself: but being high priest that year, he prophesied that Jesus should die for that nation; and not for that nation only, but that also He should gather together in one the children of God that were scattered abroad. Then from that day forth they took counsel together for to put Him to death. Jesus therefore walked no more openly among the Jews; but went thence unto a country near to the wilderness, into a city called Ephraim, and there continued with His disciples. And Thou.

V. My zeal hath even consumed Me.

R. Because Mine enemies have forgotten Thy words.

THE COLLECT.

SANCTIFY, O Lord, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

ANTHEM. Mine eyes look unto Thee. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, IX. 18—22.

IT came to pass, as Jesus was alone praying, His disciples were with Him: and He asked them, saying, Whom say the people that I am? They answering said, John the Baptist; but some say Elias; and others say, that one of the old prophets is risen again. He said unto them, But whom say ye that I am? Peter answering said, The Christ of God. And He straitly charged them, and commanded them to tell no man that thing; saying, The Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders and chief priests

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and scribes, and be slain, and be raised the third day.
And Thou.

V. Many are they that trouble Me, and persecute Me.

R. Yet do I not swerve from Thy testimonies.

THE COLLECT.

SANCTIFY, O Lord, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At None.

ANTHEM. Quicken Me, O Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, IX. 23—27.

AND Jesus said to them all, If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever will lose his life for My sake, the same shall save it. For what is a man advantaged, if he gain the whole world, and lose himself, or be cast away? For whosoever shall be ashamed of Me and of My words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when He shall come in His own glory, and in His Father's, and of the holy angels. But I tell you of a truth, there be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the kingdom of God. And Thou.

V. I am troubled above measure.

R. Quicken Me, O Lord, according to Thy word.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, unto Thy people, health of soul and body; that cleaving unto good

works, they may ever be defended by Thy protection ;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, IX. 28—31.

AND it came to pass about an eight days after these sayings, He took Peter and John and James, and went up into a mountain to pray. And as He prayed, the fashion of His countenance was altered, and His raiment was white and glistening. And, behold, there talked with Him two Men, which were Moses and Elias : who appeared in glory, and spake of His decease, which He should accomplish at Jerusalem. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee. *As at None.*

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At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Hear Me, O Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, VIII. 19. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, accept, we beseech Thee, these our fasts, that, by purifying us, they may make us worthy of Thy grace, and bring us heavenly remedies; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

ANTHEM. Keep Me, O Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, IX. 37—45.

IT came to pass, that on the next day, when they were come down from the hill, much people met Him. And, behold, a man of the company cried out, saying, Master, I beseech Thee, look upon my son; for he is mine only child. And, lo, a spirit taketh Him, and he suddenly crieth out; and it teareth him that he foameth again, and bruising him hardly, departeth from him. And I besought Thy disciples to cast him out; and they could not. And Jesus answering said, O faith-

less and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you; and suffer you? Bring thy son hither. And as he was yet a coming, the devil threw him down, and tare him. And Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, and healed the child, and delivered him again to his father. And they were all amazed at the mighty power of God. But while they wondered every one at all things which Jesus did, He said unto His disciples, Let these sayings sink down into your ears: for the Son of man shall be delivered into the hands of men. But they understood not this saying, and it was hid from them, that they perceived it not: and they feared to ask Him of that saying. But Thou.

V. My zeal hath even consumed Me.

R. Because Mine enemies have forgotten Thy words.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, accept, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

ANTHEM. Mine eyes look unto Thee. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, IX. 46—50.

THEN there arose a reasoning among them, which of them should be greatest. And Jesus, perceiving the thought of their heart, took a child, and set him by Him, and said unto them, Whosoever shall receive this child in My Name receiveth Me: and whosoever shall receive Me receiveth Him that sent Me: for He that is least among you all, the same shall be great. And John answered and said, Master, we saw one casting out

devils in Thy Name; and we forbad him, because he followed not with us. And Jesus said unto him, Forbid him not: for he that is not against us is for us. And Thou.

V. Many are they that trouble Me, and persecute Me.

R. Yet do I not swerve from Thy testimonies.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, accept, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At None.

ANTHEM. Quicken me, O Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, IX. 51—56.

AND it came to pass, when the time was come that He should be received up, He stedfastly set His face to go to Jerusalem, and sent messengers before His face: and they went, and entered into a village of the Samaritans, to make ready for Him. And they did not receive Him, because His face was as though He would go to Jerusalem. And when His disciples James and John saw this, they said, Lord, wilt Thou that we command fire to come down from heaven, and consume them, even as Elias did? But He turned and rebuked them, and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of. For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them. And they went to another village. And Thou.

V. I am troubled above measure.

R. Quicken me, O Lord, according to Thy word.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, grant unto us perseverance in Thy service; that in our days, Thy faithful may be increased both in number and holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, IX. 57—62.

AND it came to pass, that, as they went in the way, a certain man said unto Him, Lord, I will follow Thee whithersoever Thou goest. And Jesus said unto him, Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay His head. And He said unto another, Follow Me. But he said, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father. Jesus said unto him, Let the dead bury their dead: but go thou and preach the kingdom of God. And another also said, Lord, I will follow Thee; but let me first go bid them farewell, which are at home at my house. And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God. But Thou.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech Thee. *As at None.*

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OF LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Hear Me, O Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, VIII. 19. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

HAVING sanctified this fast, enlighten the hearts of Thy faithful people, O merciful God; and lend a gracious ear to their supplications, on whom Thou bestowest the desire for devotion; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terre.

ANTHEM. Keep Me, O Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, XIII. 6—9.

JESUS spake also this parable; A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came and sought fruit thereon, and found none. Then said he unto the dresser of his vineyard, Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find

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none: cut it down; why cumbereth it the ground? And he answering said unto him, Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig about it, and dung it: and if it bear fruit, well: and if not, then after that thou shalt cut it down. But Thou.

V. My zeal hath even consumed Me.

R. Because Mine enemies have forgotten Thy words.

THE COLLECT.

HAVING sanctified this fast. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

ANTHEM. Mine eyes look unto Thee. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, XIII. 10—17.

AND Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself. And when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him, and said unto her, Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity. And He laid His hands on her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. And the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because that Jesus had healed on the sabbath day, and said unto the people, There are six days in which men ought to work: in them therefore come and be healed, and not on the sabbath day. The Lord then answered him, and said, Thou hypocrite, doth not each one of you on the sabbath loose his ox or his-ass from the stall, and lead him away to watering? And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this

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bond on the sabbath day? And when he had said these things, all His adversaries were ashamed : and all the people rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by Him. And Thou.

- V. Many are they that trouble Me, and persecute Me.
R. Yet do I not swerve from Thy testimonies.

THE COLLECT.

HAVING sanctified this fast. *As at Prime.*

At None.

ANTHEM. Quicken Me, O Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, XIII. 18—21.

THEN said Jesus, Unto what is the kingdom of God like? and whereunto shall I resemble it? It is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and cast into his garden ; and it grew, and waxed a great tree ; and the fowls of the air lodged in the branches of it. And again He said, Whereunto shall I liken the kingdom of God? It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened. And Thou.

- V. I am troubled above measure.
R. Quicken Me, O Lord, according to Thy word.

THE COLLECT.

HEAR our supplications, O Almighty God ; and, as Thou permittest us to hope in Thine unfailing goodness, grant us the help of Thy sure mercies ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

At Compline.**THE LESSON.**

S. LUKE, XIII. 22—33.

AND Jesus went through the cities and villages, teaching, and journeying toward Jerusalem. Then said one unto Him, Lord, are there few that be saved? And He said unto them, Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able. When once the Master of the house is risen up, and hath shut to the door, and ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door, saying, Lord, Lord, open unto us; and He shall answer and say unto you, I know you not whence ye are: then shall ye begin to say, We have eaten and drunk in Thy presence, and Thou hast taught in our streets. But He shall say, I tell you, I know you not whence ye are; depart from Me, all ye workers of iniquity. There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when ye shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrust out. And they shall come from the east, and from the west, and from the north, and from the south, and shall sit down in the kingdom of God. And, behold, there are last which shall be first, and there are first which shall be last. The same day there came certain of the Pharisees, saying unto Him, Get thee out, and depart hence: for Herod will kill thee. And He said unto them, Go ye, and tell that fox, Behold, I cast out devils, and I do cures to day and to morrow, and the third day I shall be perfected. Nevertheless I must walk to day, and to morrow, and the day following: for it cannot be that a prophet perish out of Jerusalem. But Thou.

THE COLLECT.

HEAR our supplications. As at None.

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THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Hear Me, O Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, VIII. 19. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the dignity of human nature which hath been degraded by excess, may be restored by the practice of health-giving temperance; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

ANTHEM. Keep Me, O Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, XVII. 20—25.

AT that time, when Jesus was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, He answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with observation: neither shall they say, Lo here!

or, lo there ! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you. And He said unto the disciples, The days will come, when ye shall desire to see one of the days of the Son of man, and ye shall not see it. And they shall say to you, See here ; or, See there : go not after them, nor follow them. For as the lightning, that lighteneth out of the one part under heaven, shineth unto the other part under heaven ; so shall also the Son of man be in His day. But first must He suffer many things, and be rejected of this generation. But Thou.

V. My zeal hath even consumed Me.

R. Because Mine enemies have forgotten Thy words.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

ANTHEM. Mine eyes look unto Thee. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, XVII. 26—30.

AND Jesus said, As it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all. Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot ; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded ; but the same day that Lot went out of Sodom, it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed. But Thou.

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V. Many are they that trouble Me, and persecute Me.

R. Yet do I not swerve from Thy testimonies.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God. *As at Prime.*

At None.

ANTHEM. Quicken me, O Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, xvii. 31—37.

IN that day, he which shall be upon the housetop, and his stuff in the house, let him not come down to take it away: and he that is in the field, let him likewise not return back. Remember Lot's wife. Whosoever shall seek to save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life shall preserve it. I tell you, in that night there shall be two men in one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left. Two women shall be grinding together; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Two men shall be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left. And they answered and said unto Him, Where, Lord? And He said unto them, Wheresoever the body is, thither will the eagles be gathered together. But Thou.

V. I am troubled above measure.

R. Quicken Me, O Lord, according to Thy word.

THE COLLECT.

BE gracious unto Thy people, we beseech Thee, O Lord; that, rejecting those things which are dis-

pleasing to Thee, they may be the more filled with the joy of Thy commandments; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, XVIII. 1—8.

AND Jesus spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint; saying, There was in a city a judge, which feared not God, neither regarded man: and there was a widow in that city; and she came unto him saying, Avenge me of mine adversary. And he would not for a while: but afterward he said within himself, Though I fear not God, nor regard man; yet because this widow troubleth me, I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she weary me. And the Lord said, Hear what the unjust judge saith. And shall not God avenge His own elect, which cry day and night unto Him, though He bear long with them? I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth? But Thou.

THE COLLECT.

BE gracious unto Thy people. *As at None.*

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At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Hear Me, O Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, VIII. 19. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

MERCIFULLY pour Thy grace into our hearts, we beseech Thee, O Lord ; that, subduing our sins by voluntary chastisements, we may suffer temporal mortifications rather than be condemned to eternal punishments ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

ANTHEM. Keep Me, O Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

S. MARK, x. 17—22.

WHEN Jesus was gone forth into the way, there came one running, and kneeled to Him, and asked Him, Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life ? And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou Me good ? there is none good but one, that is God. Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit

adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Defraud not, Honour thy father and mother. And he answered and said unto Him, Master, all these have I observed from my youth. Then Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow Me. And he was sad at that saying, and went away grieved; for he had great possessions. But Thou.

V. My zeal hath even consumed Me.

R. Because Mine enemies have forgotten Thy words.

THE COLLECT.

MERCIFULLY pour Thy grace. *As at Prime.*

At Ser.

ANTHEM. Mine eyes look unto Thee. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

S. MARK, x. 23—27.

AND Jesus looked round about, and saith unto His disciples, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God! And the disciples were astonished at His words. But Jesus answereth again, and saith unto them, Children, how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. And they were astonished out of measure, saying among themselves, Who then can be saved? And Jesus looking upon them saith, With men it is impossible, but not

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with God: for with God all things are possible. And Thou.

V. Many are they that trouble Me, and persecute Me.

R. Yet do I not swerve from Thy testimonies.

THE COLLECT.

MERCIFULLY pour Thy grace. *As at Prime.*

At None.

ANTHEM. Quicken Me, O Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

S. MARK, x. 28—31.

THEN Peter began to say unto Him, Lo, we have left all, and have followed Thee. And Jesus answered and said, Verily, I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's, but he shall receive an hundred-fold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life. But many that are first shall be last; and the last first. And Thou.

V. I am troubled above measure.

R. Quicken Me, O Lord, according to Thy word.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, grant, we beseech Thee, that we who seek the favour of Thy protection, being freed from all evils, may serve Thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. MARK, x. 32—34.

AND they were in the way going up to Jerusalem ; and Jesus went before them : and they were amazed ; and as they followed, they were afraid. And He took again the twelve, and began to tell them what things should happen unto Him, saying, Behold we go up to Jerusalem ; and the Son of man shall be delivered unto the chief priests, and unto the scribes ; and they shall condemn Him to death, and shall deliver Him to the Gentiles : and they shall mock Him, and shall scourge Him, and shall spit upon Him, and shall kill Him : and the third day He shall rise again. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, grant, we beseech Thee. *As at None.*

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OF LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Hear Me, O Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

JEREMIAH, VIII. 19. *As on Sunday.*

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we pray Thee that Thy people dedicated to Thee, may go on in the profession of holy devotion; and, instructed in Thy sacred mysteries, as they advance in Thy divine favour, may receive yet greater gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terce.

ANTHEM. Keep Me, O Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

S. MARK, x. 46—52.

AND they came to Jericho: and as Jesus went out of Jericho with His disciples and a great number of people, blind Bartimæus, the son of Timæus, sat by

the highway side begging. And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out, and say, Jesus, Thou Son of David, have mercy on me. And many charged him that he should hold his peace: but he cried the more a great deal, Thou son of David, have mercy on me. And Jesus stood still, and commanded him to be called. And they call the blind man, saying unto him, Be of good comfort, rise; He calleth thee. And he, casting away his garment, rose, and came to Jesus. And Jesus answered and said unto him, What wilt thou that I should do unto thee? The blind man said unto Him, Lord, that I might receive my sight. And Jesus said unto him, Go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way. And Thou.

V. My zeal hath even consumed Me.

R. Because Mine enemies have forgotten Thy words.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we pray Thee. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

ANTHEM. Mine eyes look unto Thee. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, XIX. 2—10.

AND, behold, there was a man named Zacchæus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich. And he sought to see Jesus who He was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature. And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him: for He was to pass that way.

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And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchæus, make haste, and come down ; for to day I must abide at thy house. And he made haste, and came down, and received Him joyfully. And when they saw it, they all murmured, saying, That He was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner. And Zacchæus stood, and said unto the Lord ; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor ; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold. And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost. And Thou.

V. Many are they that trouble Me, and persecute Me.

R. Yet do I not swerve from Thy testimonies.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we pray Thee. *As at Prime.*

At None.

ANTHEM. Quicken Me, O Lord. *As on Sunday.*

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, XIX. 11—28.

AND as they heard these things, He added and spake a parable, because He was nigh to Jerusalem, and because they thought that the kingdom of God should immediately appear. He said therefore, A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return. And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come. But his citizens hated him, and sent a message after him, saying, We will

not have this man to reign over us. And it came to pass, that when he was returned, having received the kingdom, then he commanded these servants to be called unto him, to whom he had given the money, that he might know how much every man had gained by trading. Then came the first, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained ten pounds. And he said unto him, Well, thou good servant : because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities. And the second came, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained five pounds. And he said likewise to him, Be thou also over five cities. And another came, saying, Lord, behold, here is thy pound, which I have kept laid up in a napkin : for I feared thee, because thou art an austere man : thou takest up that thou layedst not down, and reapest that thou didst not sow. And he saith unto him, Out of thine own mouth will I judge thee, thou wicked servant. Thou knewest that I was an austere man, taking up that I laid not down, and reaping that I did not sow : wherefore then gavest not thou my money into the bank, that at my coming I might have required mine own with usury ? And he said unto them that stood by, Take from him the pound, and give it to him that hath ten pounds. (And they said unto him, Lord, he hath ten pounds.) For I say unto you, That unto every one which hath, shall be given ; and from him that hath not, even that he hath shall be taken away from him. But those mine enemies, which would not that I should reign over them, bring hither, and slay them before me. And when He had thus spoken, He went before, ascending up to Jerusalem. And Thou.

V. I am troubled above measure.

R. Quicken Me, O Lord, according to Thy word.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who, of Thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent Thy Son,

our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon Him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of His great humility ; Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of His patience, and also be made partakers of His resurrection ; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, XI. 55,—XII. 11.

AND the Jews' passover was nigh at hand : and many went out of the country up to Jerusalem before the passover, to purify themselves. Then sought they for Jesus, and spake among themselves, as they stood in the temple, What think ye, that he will not come to the feast ? Now both the chief priests and the Pharisees had given a commandment, that, if any man knew where He were, he should shew it, that they might take Him. Then Jesus six days before the passover came to Bethany, where Lazarus was which had been dead, whom He raised from the dead. There they made Him a supper ; and Martha served : but Lazarus was one of them that sat at the table with Him. Then took Mary a pound of ointment of spikenard, very costly, and anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair : and the house was filled with the odour of the ointment. Then saith one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, which should betray Him, Why was not this ointment sold for three hundred pence, and given to the poor ? This he said, not that he cared for the poor ; but because he was a thief, and had the bag, and bare what was put therein. Then said Jesus, Let her alone : against the day of My burying hath she kept

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this. For the poor always ye have with you; but Me ye have not always. Much people of the Jews therefore knew that He was there: and they came not for Jesus' sake only, but that they might see Lazarus also, whom He had raised from the dead. But the chief priests consulted that they might put Lazarus also to death; because that by reason of him many of the Jews went away, and believed on Jesus. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God. *As at None.*

Holy Week.

THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM XXII.

MY God, My God, look upon Me; why hast Thou forsaken Me; * and art so far from My health, and from the words of My complaint?

O My God, I cry in the day-time, but Thou hearest not; * and in the night-season also I take no rest.

And Thou continuest holy; * O Thou worship of Israel.

Our fathers hoped in Thee; * they trusted in Thee, and Thou didst deliver them.

They called upon Thee, and were holpen: * they put their trust in Thee, and were not confounded.

But as for Me, I am a worm, and no man; * a very scorn of men, and the out-cast of the people.

All they that see Me laugh Me to scorn: * they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying,

He trusted in God, that He would deliver him; * let Him deliver him, if He will have him.

But Thou art He that took Me out of My mother's womb; * Thou wast My hope, when I hanged yet upon My mother's breasts.

I have been left unto Thee ever since I was born; * Thou art My God even from My mother's womb.

O go not from Me, for trouble is hard at hand; * and *there is none to help Me.*

Many oxen are come about Me ; * fat bulls of Basan close Me in on every side.

They gape upon Me with their mouths ; * as it were a ramping and a roaring lion.

I am poured out like water, and all My bones are out of joint ; * My heart also in the midst of My body is even like melting wax.

My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and My tongue cleaveth to My gums ; * and Thou shalt bring Me into the dust of death.

For many dogs are come about Me ; * and the council of the wicked layeth siege against Me.

They pierced My hands and My feet ; I may tell all My bones : * they stand staring and looking upon Me.

They part My garments among them ; * and cast lots upon My vesture.

But be not Thou far from Me, O Lord : * Thou art My succour, haste Thee to help Me.

Deliver My soul from the sword ; * My darling from the power of the dog.

Save Me from the lion's mouth : * Thou hast heard Me also from among the horns of the unicorns.

I will declare Thy Name unto My brethren ; * in the midst of the congregation will I praise Thee.

O PRAISE the Lord, ye that fear Him : * magnify Him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, and fear Him, all ye seed of Israel ;

For He hath not despised, nor abhorred, the low estate of the poor ; * He hath not hid His face from him, but when he called unto Him He heard him.

My praise is of Thee in the great congregation ; * My vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear Him.

The poor shall eat, and be satisfied : * they that seek after the Lord shall praise Him : your heart shall live for ever.

All the ends of the world, shall remember themselves,

and be turned unto the Lord ; * and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before Him.

For the kingdom is the Lord's ; * and He is the Governour among the people.

All such as be fat upon the earth, * have eaten, and worshipped.

All they that go down into the dust, shall kneel before Him ; * and no man hath quickened his own soul.

My seed shall serve Him ; * they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.

They shall come and the heavens shall declare His righteousness, * unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made.

PSALM XL.

I WAITED patiently for the Lord ; * and He inclined unto Me, and heard My calling.

He brought Me also out of the horrible pit, out of the mire and clay ; * and set My feet upon the rock, and ordered My goings.

And He hath put a new song in My mouth ; * even a thanksgiving unto our God.

Many shall see it, and fear ; * and shall put their trust in the Lord.

Blessed is the man that hath set his hope in the Lord ; * and turned not unto the proud, and to such as go about with lies.

O Lord My God, great are the wondrous works which Thou hast done, like as be also Thy thoughts which are to us-ward ; * and yet there is no man that ordereth them unto Thee.

If I should declare them, and speak of them, * they should be more than I am able to express.

Sacrifice, and meat-offering, Thou wouldest not ; * but Mine ears hast Thou opened.

Burnt-offerings, and sacrifice for sin, hast Thou not required : * then said I, Lo, I come,

In the volume of the book it is written of Me, that I should fulfil Thy will, O My God ; * I am content to do it ; yea, Thy law is within My heart.

I have declared Thy righteousness in the great congregation : * lo, I will not refrain My lips, O Lord, and that Thou knowest.

I have not hid Thy righteousness within My heart : * My talk hath been of Thy truth, and of Thy salvation.

I have not kept back Thy loving mercy and truth * from the great congregation.

Withdraw not Thou Thy mercy from Me, O Lord ; * let Thy loving-kindness and Thy truth always preserve Me.

For innumerable troubles are come about Me ; My sins have taken such hold upon Me that I am not able to look up ; * yea, they are more in number than the hairs of My head, and My heart hath failed Me.

O Lord, let it be Thy pleasure to deliver Me ; * make haste, O Lord, to help Me.

Let them be ashamed, and confounded together, that seek after My soul to destroy it : * let them be driven backward, and put to rebuke, that wish Me evil.

Let them be desolate, and rewarded with shame, * that say unto Me, Fie upon Thee, fie upon Thee.

Let all those that seek Thee be joyful and glad in Thee ; * and let such as love Thy salvation say always, The Lord be praised.

As for me, I am poor and needy ; * but the Lord careth for me.

Thou art my helper and redeemer ; * make no long tarrying, O my God.

ANTHEM. Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion ; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem : behold thy King cometh unto thee ! He is just, and having Salvation ; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass. And He shall speak peace unto the heathen :

and His dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the river to the ends of the earth.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, XX. 17—19, AND XXI. 1—9.

AT that time, Jesus going up to Jerusalem, took the twelve disciples apart in the way, and said unto them, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be betrayed unto the chief priests and unto the scribes, and they shall condemn Him to death, and shall deliver Him to the Gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify Him: and the third day He shall rise again.

And when they drew nigh unto Jerusalem, and were come to Bethphage, unto the mount of Olives, then sent Jesus two disciples, saying unto them, Go into the village over against you, and straightway ye shall find an ass tied, and a colt with her: loose them, and bring them unto Me. And if any man say ought unto you, ye shall say, the Lord hath need of them; and straightway he will send them. All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, Tell ye the daughter of Sion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass. And the disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them, and brought the ass, and the colt, and put on them their clothes and they set Him thereon. And a very great multitude spread their garments in the way; others cut down branches from the trees, and strawed them in the way. And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the Son of David: Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, Who, for our salvation, didst send Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, into this world, humbling Himself to our condition, that He might call us back

unto Thee; for Whom also, at His entry into Jerusalem to fulfil the Scriptures, the multitude, with zealous devotion, spread their garments, and palm branches in the way; Grant, we beseech Thee, that we may likewise prepare before Him the way of faith, that the stone of stumbling and rock of offence being removed, we may strew therein branches of righteousness, and worthily follow His steps, Who liveth and reigneth, with Thee and the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever. *Amen.*

At Terre.

ANTHEM. Hosanna to the Son of David: Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, XIX. 37—40.

AND when Jesus was come nigh, even now at the descent of the mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen; saying, Blessed be the King that cometh in the Name of the Lord: peace in heaven, and glory in the highest. And some of the Pharisees from among the multitude said unto Him, Master, rebuke thy disciples. And He answered and said unto them, I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out. And Thou.

V. Sacrifice and meat-offering Thou wouldest not.

R. But Mine ears hast Thou opened.

V. Burnt offerings, and sacrifice for sin, hast Thou not required.

R. Then said I, Lo, I come, that I might fulfil Thy will, O God.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, Who for our salvation. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

ANTHEM. Blessed be the King that cometh in the Name of the Lord: peace in heaven, and glory in the highest.

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, XIX. 41—44.

AND when Jesus was come near, He beheld the city, and wept over it, saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes. For the days shall come upon thee, that thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side, and shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee; and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation. But Thou.

V. I have declared Thy righteousness in the great congregation.

R. Lo, I will not refrain My lips, O Lord.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, Who, for our salvation. *As at Prime.*

At None.

ANTHEM. Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings hast Thou ordained strength; that Thou mightest still the enemy, and the avenger.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, XXI. 10—16.

AND when Jesus was come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying, Who is this? And the multitude said, This is Jesus, the prophet of Nazareth of Galilee. And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves, and said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves. And the blind and the lame came to Him in the temple; and He healed them. And when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that He did, and the children crying in the temple, and saying, Hosanna to the Son of David; they were sore displeased, and said unto Him, Hearest thou what these say? And Jesus saith unto them, Yea; have ye never read, Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings Thou hast perfected praise? And Thou.

V. Go not from Me, O Lord, for trouble is hard at hand.

R. And there is none to help Me.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, Who, for our salvation. *As at Prime.*

At Compline.

ANTHEM. Judge Me, O Lord My God, according to Thy righteousness; and let them not triumph over Me.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, II. 18—22, AND S. MARK, XI. 11.

THEN answered the Jews and said unto Him, What sign shewest thou unto us, seeing that thou doest these things? Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up. Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days? But He spake of the temple of His body. When therefore He was risen from the dead, His disciples remembered that He had said this unto them; and they believed the Scripture, and the word which Jesus had said.

And when the eventide was come, He went out unto Bethany with the twelve. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, Who, for our salvation. *As at Prime.*

MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK.
THE THIRTY-FIFTH DAY OF LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Plead Thou My cause, O Lord, with them that strive with Me; and fight Thou against them that fight against Me. Lay hand upon the shield and buckler, and stand up to help Me.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, XXI. 18—27.

NOW in the morning as Jesus returned into the city, He hungered. And when He saw a fig tree in the way, He came to it, and found nothing thereon, but leaves only, and said unto it, Let no fruit grow on thee henceforward for ever. And presently the fig tree withered away. And when the disciples saw it, they marvelled, saying, How soon is the fig tree withered away! Jesus answered and said unto them, Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea, it shall be done. And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive. And when He was come into the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came unto Him as He was teaching, and said, By what authority doest thou these things? and who gave thee this authority?

And Jesus answered and said unto them, I also will ask you one thing, which if ye tell Me, I in like wise will tell you by what authority I do these things. The baptism of John, whence was it? from heaven, or of men? And they reasoned with themselves, saying, if we shall say, From heaven; he will say unto us, Why did ye not then believe him? But if we say, Of men; we fear the people; for all hold John as a prophet. And they answered Jesus, and said, We cannot tell. And He said unto them, Neither tell I you by what authority I do these things. But Thou.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we who in the midst of so many adversities fail through our own infirmity, may obtain rest, through the Passion of Thine only begotten Son; Who liveth and reigneth, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

At Terre.

ANTHEM. Be merciful unto Me, O God, be merciful unto Me; for My soul trusteth in Thee; and under the shadow of Thy wings shall be My refuge, until this tyranny be overpast.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, XII. 23—36.

AND Jesus said, The hour is come, that the Son of man should be glorified. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, *it abideth alone*: but if it die, it bringeth forth much *fruit*. He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he *that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life*

eternal. If any man serve Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there shall also My servant be: if any man serve Me, him will My Father honour. Now is My soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save Me from this hour: but for this cause came I unto this hour. Father, glorify Thy Name. Then came there a voice from heaven, saying, I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again. The people therefore, that stood by, and heard it, said that it thundered: others said, An angel spake to Him. Jesus answered and said, This voice came not because of Me, but for your sakes. Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out. And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto Me. This He said, signifying what death He should die. The people answered Him, We have heard out of the law that Christ abideth for ever: and how sayest thou, The Son of man must be lifted up? who is this Son of man? Then Jesus said unto them, yet a little while is the light with you. Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you: for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth. While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light. And Thou.

V. Lord, how are they increased that trouble Me.

R. Many are they that rise against Me.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God. *As at Prime.*

At Ser.

ANTHEM. I have put My trust in God, and will not fear what flesh can do unto Me. They daily mistake My words: all that they imagine is to do Me evil.

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THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, XII. 37—43.

THOUGH Jesus had done so many miracles before them, yet they believed not on Him: that the saying of Esaias the prophet might be fulfilled, which he spake, Lord, who hath believed our report? and to whom hath the arm of the Lord been revealed? Therefore they could not believe, because that Esaias said again, He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see with their eyes, nor understand with their heart, and be converted, and I should heal them. These things said Esaias, when he saw His glory, and spake of Him. Nevertheless among the chief rulers also many believed on Him; but because of the Pharisees they did not confess Him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue: for they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God. But Thou.

V. I have declared Thy righteousness in the great congregation.

R. Lo, I will not refrain My lips, O Lord.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God. *As at Prime.*

At None.

ANTHEM. Remember, Lord, the rebuke that Thy servants have; and how I do bear in My bosom the rebukes of many people, wherewith Thine enemies have blasphemed Thee, and slandered the footsteps of Thine Anointed.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, XII. 44—50.

AT that time Jesus cried and said, He that believeth on Me, believeth not on Me, but on Him that sent Me. And he that seeth Me seeth Him that sent Me. I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on Me should not abide in darkness. And if any man hear My words, and believe not, I judge him not: for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world. He that rejecteth Me, and receiveth not My words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day. For I have not spoken of Myself; but the Father which sent Me, He gave Me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak. And I know that His commandment is life everlasting: whatsoever I speak therefore, even as the Father said unto Me, so I speak. And Thou.

V. Go not from Me, O Lord, for trouble is hard at hand.

R. And there is none to help Me.

THE COLLECT.

HELP us, O God, our Saviour; and grant us to approach with joy to those benefits which Thou hast deigned to prepare for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

ANTHEM. Judge Me, O Lord, My God, according to Thy righteousness; and let them not triumph over Me.

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, xx. 9—20.

THEN began Jesus to speak to the people this parable ; A certain man planted a vineyard, and let it forth to husbandmen, and went into a far country for a long time. And at the season, he sent a servant to the husbandmen, that they should give him of the fruit of the vineyard : but the husbandmen beat him, and sent him away empty. And again he sent another servant : and they beat him also, and entreated him shamefully, and sent him away empty. And again he sent a third : and they wounded him also, and cast him out. Then said the lord of the vineyard, What shall I do ? I will send my beloved son : it may be they will reverence him when they see him. But when the husbandmen saw him, they reasoned among themselves, saying, This is the heir : come, let us kill him, that the inheritance may be our's. So they cast him out of the vineyard, and killed him. What therefore shall the lord of the vineyard do unto them ? He shall come and destroy these husbandmen, and shall give the vineyard to others. And when they heard it, they said, God forbid. And He beheld them, and said, What is this then that is written, The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner ? Whosoever shall fall upon that stone shall be broken ; but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder. And the chief priests and the scribes the same hour sought to lay hands on Him ; and they feared the people : for they perceived that He had spoken this parable against them. And they watched Him, and sent forth spies, which should feign themselves just men, that they might take hold of His words, that so they might deliver Him unto the power and authority of the governor. But Thou.

THE COLLECT.

HELP us, O God, our Saviour. As at None.

TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK.
THE THIRTY-SIXTH DAY OF LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Sunday.*

ANTHEM. Plead Thou My cause, O Lord, with them that strive with Me; and fight Thou against them that fight against Me. Lay hand upon the shield and buckler, and stand up to help Me.

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, xx. 27—47.

THEN came to Jesus certain of the Sadducees, which deny that there is any resurrection; and they asked Him, saying, Master, Moses wrote unto us, If any man's brother die, having a wife, and he die without children, that his brother should take his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother. There were therefore seven brethren: and the first took a wife, and died without children. And the second took her to wife, and he died childless. And the third took her; and in like manner the seven also: and they left no children, and died. Last of all the woman died also. Therefore in the resurrection whose wife of them is she? for seven had her to wife. And Jesus answering said unto them, The children of this world marry, and are given in marriage: but they which shall be accounted worthy to obtain that world, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage: neither can they die any more: for they are equal unto the angels; and are the children

of God, being the children of the resurrection. Now that the dead are raised, even Moses shewed at the bush, when he calleth the Lord the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. For He is not a God of the dead, but of the living : for all live unto Him. Then certain of the scribes answering said, Master, thou hast well said. And after that they durst not ask Him any question at all. And He said unto them, How say they that Christ is David's son ? And David himself saith in the book of Psalms, The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit Thou on My right hand, till I make Thine enemies Thy footstool. David therefore calleth Him Lord, how is He then his son ? Then in the audience of all the people He said unto His disciples, Beware of the scribes, which desire to walk in long robes, and love greetings in the markets, and the highest seats in the synagogues, and the chief rooms at feasts ; which devour widows' houses, and for a shew make long prayers : the same shall receive greater damnation. But Thou.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY everlasting God, grant us so to celebrate the mysteries of our Lord's Passion, that we may obtain Thy mercy ; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Terre.

ANTHEM. Be merciful unto Me, O God, be merciful unto Me ; for My soul trusteth in Thee ; and under the shadow of Thy wings shall be My refuge, until this tyranny be overpast.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, XXIII. 15—22.

THEN said Jesus unto them, Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, ye make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves. Woe unto you, ye blind guides, which say, Whosoever shall swear by the temple, it is nothing; but whosoever shall swear by the gold of the temple, he is a debtor! Ye fools and blind: for whether is greater, the gold, or the temple that sanctifieth the gold? And, Whosoever shall swear by the altar, it is nothing: but whosoever sweareth by the gift that is upon it, he is guilty. Ye fools and blind: for whether is greater, the gift, or the altar that sanctifieth the gift? Whoso therefore shall swear by the altar, sweareth by it, and by all things thereon. And whoso shall swear by the temple, sweareth by it, and by Him that dwelleth therein. And he that shall swear by heaven, sweareth by the throne of God, and by Him that sitteth thereon. But Thou.

V. Lord, how are they increased that trouble Me.

R. Many are they that rise against Me.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY everlasting God. *As at Prime.*

At Sept.

ANTHEM. I have put My trust in God, and will not fear what flesh can do unto Me. They daily mistake My words: all that they imagine is to do Me evil.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, XXIII. 23—28.

AND Jesus said, Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites ! for ye pay tithe of mint, and anise, and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith : these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone. Ye blind guides, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel. Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites ! for ye make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess. Thou blind Pharisee, cleanse first that which is within the cup and platter, that the outside of them may be clean also. Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites ! for ye are like unto whited sepulchres, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness. Even so ye also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity. But Thou.

V. I have declared Thy righteousness in the great congregation.

R. Lo, I will not refrain my lips, O Lord.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY everlasting God. *As at Prime.*

At None.

ANTHEM. Remember, Lord, the rebuke that Thy servants have ; and how I do bear in My bosom the rebukes of many people, wherewith Thine enemies have blasphemed Thee, and slandered the footsteps of Thine Anointed.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, XXIII. 29—39.

AND Jesus said, Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites ! because ye build the tombs of the prophets, and garnish the sepulchres of the righteous, and say, If we had been in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets. Wherefore ye be witnesses unto yourselves, that ye are the children of them which killed the prophets. Fill ye up then the measure of your fathers. Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell ? Wherefore, behold, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes : and some of them ye shall kill and crucify ; and some of them shall ye scourge in your synagogues, and persecute them from city to city : that upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias, son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar. Verily I say unto you, All these things shall come upon this generation. O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not ! Behold, your house is left unto you desolate. For I say unto you, Ye shall not see Me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. But Thou.

V. Go not from Me, O Lord, for trouble is hard at hand.

R. And there is none to help Me.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, let Thy mercy cleanse us from all taint of the old man, and make us capable of a new life of holiness ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Compline.

ANTHEM. Judge Me, O Lord, My God, according to Thy righteousness; and let them not triumph over Me.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, XXIV. 1—14.

AND Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and His disciples came to Him for to shew Him the buildings of the temple. And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down. And as He sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto Him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of Thy coming, and of the end of the world? And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in My Name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many. And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows. Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for My Name's sake. And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another. And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come. But Thou.

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, let Thy mercy. As at None.

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At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM LXIX.

SAVE Me, O God ; * for the waters are come in, even unto My soul.

I stick fast in the deep mire, where no ground is : * I am come into deep waters, so that the floods run over Me.

I am weary of crying ; My throat is dry ; * My sight faileth Me for waiting so long upon My God.

They that hate Me without a cause are more than the hairs of My head : * they that are Mine enemies, and would destroy Me guiltless, are mighty.

I paid them the things that I never took : * God, Thou knowest My simpleness, and My faults are not hid from Thee.

Let not them that trust in Thee, O Lord God of hosts, be ashamed for My cause ; * let not those that seek Thee be confounded through Me, O Lord God of Israel.

And why ? for Thy sake have I suffered reproof ; * shame hath covered My face.

I am become a stranger unto My brethren ; * even an alien unto My mother's children.

For the zeal of Thine house hath even eaten Me ; * and the rebukes of them that rebuked Thee are fallen upon Me.

I wept, and chastened Myself with fasting ; * and that was turned to My reproof.

I put on sackcloth also ; * and they jested upon Me.
They that sit in the gate speak against Me ; * and
the drunkards make songs upon Me.

But, Lord, I make My prayer unto Thee, * in an acceptable time.

Hear Me, O God, in the multitude of Thy mercy ; *
even in the truth of Thy salvation.

Take Me out of the mire, that I sink not : * O let Me
be delivered from them that hate Me, and out of the
deep waters.

Let not the water-flood drown Me, neither let the deep
swallow Me up ; * and let not the pit shut her mouth
upon Me.

HEAR Me, O Lord, for Thy loving-kindness is comfortable : * turn Thee unto Me according to the
multitude of Thy mercies.

And hide not Thy face from Thy Servant, for I am
in trouble ; * O haste Thee, and hear Me.

Draw nigh unto My soul, and save it : * O deliver
Me, because of Mine enemies.

Thou hast known My reproof, My shame, and My
dishonour ; * Mine adversaries are all in Thy sight.

Thy rebuke hath broken My heart ; I am full of
heaviness : * I looked for some to have pity on Me, but
there was no man, neither found I any to comfort Me.

They gave Me gall to eat ; * and when I was thirsty
they gave Me vinegar to drink.

Let their table be made a snare to take themselves
withal ; * and let the things that should have been for
their wealth be unto them an occasion of falling.

Let their eyes be blinded, that they see not ; * and
ever bow Thou down their backs.

Pour out Thine indignation upon them ; * and let Thy
wrathful displeasure take hold of them.

Let their habitation be void ; * and no man to dwell
in their tents.

For they persecute Him Whom Thou hast smitten ; *

and they talk how they may vex them whom Thou hast wounded.

Let them fall from one wickedness to another, * and not come into Thy righteousness.

Let them be wiped out of the book of the living ; * and not be written among the righteous.

As for Me, when I am poor and in heaviness, * Thy help, O God, shall lift Me up.

I WILL praise the Name of God with a song ; * and magnify it with thanksgiving.

This also shall please the Lord, * better than a bullock that hath horns and hoofs.

The humble shall consider this, and be glad : * seek ye after God, and your soul shall live.

For the Lord heareth the poor, * and despiseth not His prisoners.

Let heaven and earth praise Him ; * the sea, and all that moveth therein.

For God will save Sion, and build the cities of Judah, * that men may dwell there, and have it in possession.

The posterity also of His servants shall inherit it ; * and they that love His Name shall dwell therein.

ANTHEM. Be not Thou far from Me, O Lord : Thou art My succour, haste Thee to help Me. Deliver My soul from the sword ; save Me from the lion's mouth.

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, XXI. 8—12.

JESUS said unto His disciples, Take heed that ye be not deceived : for many shall come in My Name, saying, I am Christ ; and the time draweth near : go ye not therefore after them. But when ye shall hear of wars and commotions, be not terrified : for these things must first come to pass ; but the end is not by and by. Then said He unto them, Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom : and great

earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven. But before all these, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for My Name's sake. But Thou.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we, who suffer through our manifold excesses, may be delivered by the Passion of Thine Only-begotten Son, Who, with Thee, liveth and reigneth, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, world without end. *Amen.*

At Terre.

ANTHEM. Bow down Thine ear, O Lord, and hear Me, for I am poor and in misery. Preserve Thou My soul, for I am holy; My God, save Thy Servant that putteth His trust in Thee.

THE LESSON.

S. LUKE, XXI. 20—24.

AND Jesus said, When ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh. Then let them which are in Judæa flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto. For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled. But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people. And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and *shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem*

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shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled. But Thou.

V. O deliver Me from the wicked doers.

R. Save Me from the blood-thirsty men.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God. *As at Prime.*

At Ser.

ANTHEM. Mine enemies speak against Me ; and they that lay wait for My soul take their counsel together, saying, God hath forsaken Him ; persecute Him, and take Him, for there is none to deliver Him.

THE LESSON.

S. MARK, XIII. 33—37.

AND Jesus said to His disciples, Take ye heed, watch and pray : for ye know not when the time is. For the Son of man is as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch. Watch ye therefore : for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cockcrowing, or in the morning : lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping. And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch. And Thou.

V. They came about me daily like water.

R. And conspired together on every side.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God. *As at Prime.*

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At Home.

ANTHEM. Lo, they lie waiting for My soul ; the mighty men are gathered against Me, without any offence or fault of Me, O Lord.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, XXVI. 1—5, AND 14—16.

AND it came to pass, when Jesus had finished all these sayings, He said unto His disciples, Ye know that after two days is the feast of the passover, and the Son of man is betrayed to be crucified. Then assembled together the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders of the people, unto the palace of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas, and consulted that they might take Jesus by subtilty, and kill Him. But they said, Not on the feast day, lest there be an uproar among the people.

Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief priests, and said unto them, What will ye give me, and I will deliver Him unto you ? And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver. And from that time he sought opportunity to betray Him. But Thou.

V. All Mine enemies whisper together against Me.

R. Even against Me do they imagine this evil.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee graciously to behold this Thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross, Who now liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *From this Hour until Easter Day, GLORY BE TO THE FATHER is omitted from all the Offices of the Guild.*

At Compline.

HEM. The Lord saw that there was no man, and ordered that there was no intercessor; therefore His arm brought salvation, and His righteousness, it sustained Him. For He put on righteousness as a breastplate, and an helmet of salvation upon His head; and He put on the garments of vengeance for clothing, and was clad with zeal as a cloak.

THE LESSON.

ISAIAH, LXIII. 1—6.

WHO is This that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? This that is glorious in apparel, travelling in the greatness of His strength? that speak in righteousness, mighty to save. Wherefore Thou red in Thine apparel, and Thy garments like that treadeth in the winefat? I have trodden the press alone; and of the people there was none with me: for I will tread them in Mine anger, and trample them in My fury; and their blood shall be sprinkled upon My garments, and I will stain all My raiment. The day of vengeance is in Mine heart, and the year when My redeemed is come. And I looked, and there was none to help; and I wondered that there was none to uphold: therefore Mine own arm brought salvation unto me; and My fury, it upheld Me. And I will tread upon the people in Mine anger, and make them drunk by My fury, and I will bring down their strength to the earth. Thus saith.

THE COLLECT.

MIGHTY God, we beseech Thee. *As at None.*

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At Prime.

THE PSALMS. *As on Wednesday.*

ANTHEM. He commanded the clouds above, and opened the doors of heaven. He rained down manna also upon them for to eat; and gave them food from heaven.

THE LESSON.

EXODUS, XVI. 4—15, AND 31—35.

AT that time the Lord said unto Moses, Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you; and the people shall go out and gather a certain rate every day, that I may prove them, whether they will walk in My law, or no. And it shall come to pass, that on the sixth day they shall prepare that which they bring in; and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily. And Moses and Aaron said unto all the children of Israel, At even, then ye shall know that the Lord hath brought you out from the land of Egypt: and in the morning, then ye shall see the glory of the Lord; for that He heareth your murmurings against the Lord: and what are we, that ye murmur against us? And Moses said, This shall be when the Lord shall give you in the evening flesh to eat, and in the morning bread to the full; for that the Lord heareth your murmurings which ye murmur against Him: and what are we? your murmurings are not against us, but against the Lord. And Moses spake unto Aaron, Say unto all the congregation of the

children of Israel, Come near before the Lord : for He hath heard your murmurings. And it came to pass, as Aaron spake unto the whole congregation of the children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and, behold, the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying, I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel : speak unto them, saying, At even ye shall eat flesh, and in the morning ye shall be filled with bread ; and ye shall know that I am the Lord your God. And it came to pass, that at even the quails came up, and covered the camp : and in the morning the dew lay round about the host. And when the dew that lay was gone up, behold, upon the face of the wilderness there lay a small round thing, as small as the hoar frost on the ground. And when the children of Israel saw it, they said one to another, It is manna : for they wist not what it was. And Moses said unto them, This is the bread which the Lord hath given you to eat.

And the house of Israel called the name thereof Manna : and it was like coriander seed, white ; and the taste of it was like wafers made with honey. And Moses said, This is the thing which the Lord commandeth, Fill an omer of it to be kept for your generations ; that they may see the bread wherewith I have fed you in the wilderness, when I brought you forth from the land of Egypt. And Moses said unto Aaron, Take a pot, and put an omer full of manna therein, and lay it up before the Lord, to be kept for your generations. As the Lord commanded Moses, so Aaron laid it up before the Testimony, to be kept. And the children of Israel did eat manna forty years, until they came to a land inhabited ; they did eat manna, until they came unto the borders of the land of Canaan. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee graciously to behold this Thy family, for which our Lord Jesus

Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross, Who now liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.
Amen.

At Terre.

ANTHEM. Bow down Thine ear. *As on Wednesday.*

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, VI. 47—63.

JESUS said unto His disciples, Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on Me hath everlasting life. I am that bread of life. Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness, and are dead. This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die. I am the living bread which came down from heaven : if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever : and the bread that I will give is My flesh, which I will give for the life of the world. The Jews therefore strove among themselves, saying, How can this man give us his flesh to eat? Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink His blood, ye have no life in you. Whoso eateth My flesh, and drinketh My blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day. For My flesh is meat indeed, and My blood is drink indeed. He that eateth My flesh, and drinketh My blood, dwelleth in Me, and I in him. As the living Father hath sent Me, and I live by the Father : so he that eateth Me, even he shall live by Me. This is that bread which came down from heaven : not as your fathers did eat

manna, and are dead : he that eateth of this bread shall live for ever. These things said He in the synagogue, as He taught in Capernaum. Many therefore of His disciples, when they had heard this, said, This is an hard saying ; who can hear it ? When Jesus knew in Himself that His disciples murmured at it, He said unto them, Doth this offend you ? What and if ye shall see the Son of man ascend up where He was before ? It is the Spirit that quickeneth ; the flesh profiteth nothing : the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life. And Thou.

V. O deliver Me from the wicked doers.

R. Save Me from the blood-thirsty men.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At Ser.

ANTHEM. Mine enemies speak against Me. *As on Wednesday.*

THE LESSONS.

LESSON I. EXODUS, XII. 1—11.

AND the Lord spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying, This month shall be unto you the beginning of months : it shall be the first month of the year to you. Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house : and if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbour next unto his house take it, according to the number of the souls ; every man according to his eating,

shall make your count for the lamb. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats: and ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening. And they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it. And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; and with bitter herbs they shall eat it. Eat not of it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but roast with fire; his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof. And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remaineth of it until the morning ye shall burn with fire. And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is the Lord's Passover.

LESSON II. S. LUKE, xxii. 7—13.

THEN came the day of unleavened bread, when the Passover must be killed. And Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, Go and prepare us the Passover, that we may eat. And they said unto Him, Where wilt Thou that we prepare? And He said unto them, Behold, when ye are entered into the city, there shall a man meet you, bearing a pitcher of water; follow him into the house where he entereth in. And ye shall say unto the goodman of the house, The Master saith unto thee, Where is the guestchamber, where I shall eat the Passover with My disciples? And he shall shew you a large upper room furnished: there make ready. And they went, and found as He had said unto them: and they made ready the Passover. And Thou.

V. They came about Me daily like water.

R. And conspired together on every side.

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ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At None.

ANTHEM. Lo, they lie waiting for My soul. *As on Wednesday.*

THE LESSONS.

LESSON I. S. MARK, XIV. 17—25.

IN the evening Jesus cometh with the twelve. And as they sat and did eat, Jesus said, Verily I say unto you, One of you which eateth with Me shall betray Me. And they began to be sorrowful, and to say unto Him one by one, Is it I? and another said, Is it I? And He answered and said unto them, It is one of the twelve, that dippeth with Me in the dish. The Son of man indeed goeth, as it is written of Him: but woe to that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! good were it for that man if he had never been born. And as they did eat, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake it, and gave to them, and said, Take, eat: This is My Body. And He took the cup; and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them: and they all drank of it. And He said unto them, This is My Blood of the new testament, which is shed for many. Verily I say unto you, I will drink no more of the fruit of the vine, until that day that I drink it new in the kingdom of God.

LESSON II. S. JOHN, XIII. 2—19.

AFTER this, supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray Him, Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He was come

from God, and went to God ; He riseth from supper, and laid aside His garments ; and took a towel, and girded Himself. After that He poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith He was girded. Then cometh He to Simon Peter : and Peter saith unto Him, Lord, dost Thou wash my feet ? Jesus answered and said unto him, What I do thou knowest not now ; but thou shalt know hereafter. Peter saith unto Him, Thou shalt never wash my feet. Jesus answered him, If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with Me. Simon Peter saith unto Him, Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head. Jesus saith to him, He that is washed needeth not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit : and ye are clean, but not all. For he knew who should betray Him ; therefore said He, Ye are not all clean. So after He had washed their feet, and had taken His garments, and was set down again, He said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you ? Ye call Me Master and Lord : and ye say well ; for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet ; ye also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you. Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord ; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him. If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them. I speak not of you all : I know whom I have chosen : but that the Scripture may be fulfilled, He that eateth bread with Me hath lifted up his heel against Me. Now I tell you before it come, that, when it is come to pass, ye may believe that I am He. And Thou.

V. All Mine enemies whisper together against Me.

R. Even against Me do they imagine this evil.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At Compline.

ANTHEM. The Lord saw. *As on Wednesday.*

THE LESSONS.

PROPHECY. ZECHARIAH, XIII. 7—9.

A WAKE, O sword, against My Shepherd, and against the Man that is My fellow, saith the Lord of hosts: smite the Shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered: and I will turn Mine hand upon the little ones. And it shall come to pass, that in all the land, saith the Lord, two parts therein shall be cut off and die; but the third shall be left therein. And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on My Name, and I will hear them: I will say, It is My people: and they shall say, The Lord is My God.

LESSON I. S. MARK, XIV. 26—42.

AND when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives. And Jesus saith unto them, All ye shall be offended because of Me this night: for it is written, I will smite the Shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered. But after that I am risen, I will go before you into Galilee. But Peter said unto Him, Although all shall be offended, yet will not I. And Jesus saith unto him, Verily I say unto thee, That this day, even in this night, before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny Me thrice. But he spake the more vehemently, If I should die with Thee, I will not deny Thee in any wise. Likewise also said they all. And they came to a place which was named Gethsemane: and He saith to His disciples, Sit ye here, while I shall pray. And He taketh with Him Peter and James and

John, and began to be sore amazed, and to be very heavy; and saith unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death: tarry ye here, and watch. And He went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from Him. And He said, Abba, Father, all things are possible unto Thee; take away this cup from Me: nevertheless not what I will, but what Thou wilt. And He cometh, and findeth them sleeping, and saith unto Peter, Simon, sleepest thou? couldest not thou watch one hour? Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak. And again He went away, and prayed, and spake the same words. And when He returned, He found them asleep again, (for their eyes were heavy,) neither wist they what to answer Him. And He cometh the third time, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take your rest; for it is enough, the hour is come; behold, the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise up, let us go; lo, he that betrayeth Me is at hand. But Thou.

PROPHECY. ISAIAH, VIII. 13—17.

SANCTIFY the Lord of hosts Himself; and let Him be your fear, and let Him be your dread. And He shall be for a sanctuary; but for a stone of stumbling and for a rock of offence, to both the houses of Israel, for a gin and for a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem. And many among them shall stumble, and fall, and be broken, and be snared, and be taken. Bind up the testimony, seal the law among My disciples. And I will wait upon the Lord, that hideth His face from the house of Jacob, and I will look for Him.

LESSON II. S. MATTHEW, XXVI. 47—56.

WHILE Jesus yet spake, lo, Judas, one of the twelve, came, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and elders

of the people. Now he that betrayed Him gave them a sign, saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he: hold him fast. And forthwith he came to Jesus, and said, Hail, Master; and kissed Him. And Jesus said unto him, Friend, wherefore art thou come? Then came they, and laid hands on Jesus, and took Him. And, behold, one of them which were with Jesus stretched out his hand, and drew his sword, and struck a servant of the high priest, and smote off his ear. Then said Jesus unto him, Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword. Thinkest thou that I cannot now pray to My Father, and He shall presently give Me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then shall the Scriptures be fulfilled, that thus it must be? In that same hour said Jesus to the multitudes, Are ye come out as against a thief with swords and staves for to take Me? I sat daily with you teaching in the temple, and ye laid no hold on Me. But all this was done, that the Scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled. Then all the disciples forsook Him, and fled. But Thou.

V. They have laid a net for My feet;

R. And pressed down My soul.

V. Even Mine own familiar friend, whom I trusted,
who did eat of My bread;

R. Hath laid great wait for Me.

V. Thou hast put away Mine acquaintance far from
Me.

R. And made Me to be abhorred of them.

V. I go hence like the shadow that departeth.

R. And My life draweth nigh unto hell.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

Good Friday.

THE THIRTY-NINTH DAY OF LENT.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM XXXV.

PLEAD Thou My cause, O Lord, with them that strive with Me ; * and fight Thou against them that fight against Me.

Lay hand upon the shield and buckler ; * and stand up to help Me.

Bring forth the spear, and stop the way against them that persecute Me : * say unto My soul, I am Thy salvation.

Let them be confounded, and put to shame, that seek after My soul ; * let them be turned back, and brought to confusion, that imagine mischief for Me.

Let them be as the dust before the wind ; * and the angel of the Lord scattering them.

Let their way be dark and slippery ; * and let the angel of the Lord persecute them.

For they have privily laid their net to destroy Me without a cause ; * yea, even without a cause have they made a pit for My soul.

Let a sudden destruction come upon him unawares, and his net, that he hath laid privily, catch himself ; * that he may fall into his own mischief.

And, My soul, be joyful in the Lord ; * it shall rejoice in His salvation.

All My bones shall say, Lord, who is like unto Thee, Who deliverest the poor from him that is too strong for

him ; * yea, the poor, and him that is in misery, from him that spoileth him ?

False witnesses did rise up ; * they laid to My charge things that I knew not.

They rewarded Me evil for good, * to the great discomfort of My soul.

Nevertheless, when they were sick, I put on sackcloth, and humbled My soul with fasting ; * and My prayer shall turn into Mine own bosom.

I behaved Myself as though it had been My friend, or My brother : * I went heavily, as one that mourneth for his mother,

But in Mine adversity they rejoiced, and gathered themselves together ; * yea, the very abjects came together against Me unawares, making mouths at Me, and ceased not.

With the flatterers were busy mockers, * who gnashed upon Me with their teeth.

Lord, how long wilt Thou look upon this ? * O deliver My soul from the calamities which they bring on Me, and My darling from the lions.

So will I give Thee thanks in the great congregation ; * I will praise Thee among much people.

O let not them that are Mine enemies triumph over Me ungodly ; * neither let them wink with their eyes that hate Me without a cause.

And why ? their communing is not for peace ; * but they imagine deceitful words against them that are quiet in the land.

They gaped upon Me with their mouths, and said, * Fie on thee, fie on thee, we saw it with our eyes.

This Thou hast seen, O Lord ; * hold not Thy tongue then, go not far from Me, O Lord.

Awake, and stand up to judge My quarrel ; * avenge Thou My cause, My God, and My Lord.

Judge Me, O Lord My God, according to Thy righteousness ; * and let them not triumph over Me.

Let them not say in their hearts, There, there, so

would we have it; * neither let them say, We have devoured him.

Let them be put to confusion and shame together, that rejoice at My trouble; * let them be clothed with rebuke and dishonour, that boast themselves against Me.

Let them be glad and rejoice, that favour My righteous dealing; * yea, let them say alway, Blessed be the Lord, Who hath pleasure in the prosperity of His servant.

And as for My tongue, it shall be talking of Thy righteousness, * and of Thy praise all the day long.

PSALM LV.

HEAR My prayer, O God; * and hide not Thyself from My petition.

Take heed unto Me, and hear Me; * how I mourn in My prayer, and am vexed.

The enemy crieth so, and the ungodly cometh on so fast; * for they are minded to do Me some mischief; so maliciously are they set against Me.

My heart is disquieted within Me, * and the fear of death is fallen upon Me.

Fearfulness and trembling are come upon Me; * and an horrible dread hath overwhelmed Me.

And I said, O that I had wings like a dove; * for then would I flee away, and be at rest.

Lo, then would I get Me away far off, * and remain in the wilderness.

I would make haste to escape, * because of the stormy wind and tempest.

Destroy their tongues, O Lord, and divide them, * for I have spied unrighteousness and strife in the city.

Day and night they go about within the walls thereof; * mischief also and sorrow are in the midst of it.

Wickedness is therein; * deceit and guile go not out of their streets.

For it is not an open enemy, that hath done Me this dishonour ; * for then I could have borne it.

Neither was it Mine adversary, that did magnify himself against Me ; * for then peradventure I would have hid Myself from him.

But it was even thou, My companion, * My guide, and Mine own familiar friend.

We took sweet counsel together, * and walked in the house of God as friends.

Let death come hastily upon them, and let them go down quick into hell ; * for wickedness is in their dwellings, and among them.

As for Me, I will call upon God, * and the Lord shall save Me.

In the evening, and morning, and at noon-day will I pray, and that instantly ; * and He shall hear My voice.

It is He that hath delivered My soul in peace from the battle that was against Me ; * for there were many with Me.

Yea, even God, that endureth for ever, shall hear Me, and bring them down ; * for they will not turn, nor fear God.

He laid his hands upon such as be at peace with him, * and he brake his covenant.

The words of his mouth were softer than butter, having war in his heart ; * his words were smother than oil, and yet be they very swords.

O cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall nourish thee, * and shall not suffer the righteous to fall for ever.

And as for them, * Thou, O God, shalt bring them into the pit of destruction.

The blood-thirsty and deceitful men shall not live out half their days ; * nevertheless, my trust shall be in Thee, O Lord.

ANTHEM. The kings of the earth stand up, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord, and against His Anointed.

THE LESSONS.

PROPHECY. EZEKIEL, VII. 16—18.

THEY that escape of them shall escape, and shall be on the mountains like doves of the valleys, all of them mourning, every one for his iniquity. All hands shall be feeble, and all knees shall be weak as water. They shall also gird themselves with sackcloth, and horror shall cover them; and shame shall be upon all faces, and baldness upon all their heads.

LESSON I. S. LUKE, XXII. 54—68.

THEN took they Jesus, and led Him, and brought Him into the high priest's house. And Peter followed afar off. And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the hall, and were set down together, Peter sat down among them. But a certain maid beheld him as he sat by the fire, and earnestly looked upon him, and said, This man was also with him. And he denied Him, saying, Woman, I know him not. And after a little while another saw him, and said, Thou art also of them. And Peter said, Man, I am not. And about the space of one hour after, another confidently affirmed, saying, Of a truth this fellow also was with him: for he is a Galilæan. And Peter said, Man, I know not what thou sayest. And immediately, while he yet spake, the cock crew. And the Lord turned, and looked upon Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how He had said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny Me thrice. And Peter went out, and wept bitterly. And the men that held Jesus, mocked Him, and smote Him. And when they had blindfolded Him, they struck Him on the face, and asked Him, saying, Prophecy, who is it that smote thee? And many other things blasphemously spake they against Him. And as soon as it was day, the elders of the people and the chief priests and the scribes came together, and led

Him into their council, saying, Art thou the Christ? tell us. And He said unto them, If I tell you, ye will not believe: and if I also ask you, ye will not answer Me, nor let Me go.

PROPHECY. ISAIAH, L. 5—9.

THE Lord God hath opened Mine ear, and I was not rebellious, neither turned away back. I gave My back to the smiters, and My cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not My face from shame and spitting. For the Lord God will help Me; therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set My face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed. He is near that justifieth Me; who will contend with Me? let us stand together: who is Mine adversary? let him come near to Me. Behold, the Lord God will help Me; who is he that shall condemn Me? lo, they all shall wax old as a garment; the moth shall eat them up.

LESSON II. S. MARK, XIV. 55—65.

AND the chief priests and all the council sought for witness against Jesus to put Him to death; and found none. For many bare false witness against Him, but their witness agreed not together. And there arose certain, and bare false witness against Him, saying, We heard him say, I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and within three days I will build another made without hands. But neither so did their witness agree together. And the high priest stood up in the midst, and asked Jesus, saying, Answerest thou nothing? what is it which these witness against thee? But He held His peace, and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked Him, and said unto Him, Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed? And Jesus said, I am: and ye shall see the Son of man sitting on

the Right Hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Then the high priest rent his clothes, and saith, What need we any further witnesses? Ye have heard the blasphemy: what think ye? And they all condemned Him to be guilty of death. And some began to spit on Him, and to cover His face, and to buffet Him, and to say unto Him, Prophecy: and the servants did strike Him with the palms of their hands.

PROPHECY. ISAIAH, LIII. 1—7.

WHO hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed? For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: He hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see Him, there is no beauty that we should desire Him. He is despised and rejected of men; a Man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from Him; He was despised, and we esteemed Him not. Surely He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him: and with His stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth: He is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so He openeth not His mouth.

LESSON III. S. LUKE, XXIII. 1—12.

AND the whole multitude of them arose, and led Jesus unto Pilate. And they began to accuse Him, saying, We found this fellow perverting the nation, and forbidding to give tribute to Cæsar, saying, that He *Himself* is Christ a King. And Pilate asked Him, say-

ing, Art thou the King of the Jews? And He answered him and said, Thou sayest it. Then said Pilate to the chief priests and to the people, I find no fault in this man. And they were the more fierce, saying, He stirreth up the people, teaching throughout all Jewry, beginning from Galilee to this place. When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked whether the man were a Galilæan. And as soon as he knew that He belonged unto Herod's jurisdiction, he sent Him to Herod, who himself also was at Jerusalem at that time. And when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceeding glad: for he was desirous to see Him of a long season, because he had heard many things of Him; and he hoped to have seen some miracle done by Him. Then he questioned with Him in many words; but He answered him nothing. And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused Him. And Herod with his men of war set Him at nought, and mocked Him, and arrayed Him in a gorgeous robe, and sent Him again to Pilate. And the same day Pilate and Herod were made friends together: for before they were at enmity between themselves.

PROPHECY. ZECHARIAH, XI. 7, AND 10—13.

I WILL feed the flock of slaughter, even you, O poor of the flock. And I took unto Me two staves; the one I called Beauty, and the other I called Bands; and I fed the flock.

And I took My staff, even Beauty, and cut it asunder, that I might break My covenant which I had made with all the people. And it was broken in that day: and so the poor of the flock that waited upon Me knew that it was the word of the Lord. And I said unto them, If ye think good, give Me My price; and if not, forbear. So they weighed for My price thirty pieces of silver. And the Lord said unto Me, Cast it unto the

potter : a goodly price that I was prized at of them. And I took the thirty pieces of silver, and cast them to the potter in the house of the Lord.

LESSON IV. S. MATTHEW, XXVII. 3—10.

THEN Judas, which had betrayed Him, when he saw that He was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What is that to us? see thou to that. And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself. And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said, It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood. And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in. Wherefore that field was called, The field of blood, unto this day. Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of Him that was valued, Whom they of the children of Israel did value; and gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord appointed me. But Thou.

THE COLLECT.

ALmighty God, we beseech Thee graciously to behold this Thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross, Who now liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

At Terce.

ANTHEM. Bow down Thine ear. *As on Wednesday.*

THE LESSONS.

PROPHECY. ZEPHANIAH, III. 1—5.

WOE to her that is filthy and polluted, to the oppressing city! She obeyed not the voice; she received not correction; she trusted not in the Lord; she drew not near to her God. Her princes within her are roaring lions; her judges are evening wolves; they gnaw not the bones till the morrow. Her prophets are light and treacherous persons: her priests have polluted the sanctuary, they have done violence to the law. The just Lord is in the midst thereof; He will not do iniquity: every morning doth He bring His judgment to light, He faileth not; but the unjust knoweth no shame.

LESSON I. S. JOHN, XVIII. 31—40.

THEN said Pilate unto the Jews, Take ye him, and judge him according to your law. The Jews therefore said unto him, It is not lawful for us to put any man to death: that the saying of Jesus might be fulfilled, which He spake, signifying what death He should die. Then Pilate entered into the judgment hall again, and called Jesus, and said unto Him, Art thou the King of the Jews? Jesus answered him, Sayest thou this thing of thyself, or did others tell it thee of Me? Pilate answered, Am I a Jew? Thine own nation and the chief priests have delivered thee unto me: what hast thou done? Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if My kingdom were of this world, then would My servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is My kingdom not from hence. Pilate therefore said unto Him, Art

thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth My voice. Pilate saith unto Him, What is truth? And when he had said this, he went out again unto the Jews, and saith unto them, I find in him no fault at all. But ye have a custom, that I should release unto you one at the Passover: will ye therefore that I release unto you the King of the Jews? Then cried they all again, saying, Not this man, but Barabbas. Now Barabbas was a robber.

PROPHECY. JEREMIAH, xv. 15—18.

O LORD, Thou knowest: remember Me, and visit Me, and revenge Me of My persecutors; take Me not away in Thy longsuffering: know that for Thy sake I have suffered rebuke. Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and Thy word was unto Me the joy and rejoicing of Mine heart: for I am called by Thy Name, O Lord God of hosts. I sat not in the assembly of the mockers, nor rejoiced; I sat alone because of Thy hand: for Thou hast filled Me with indignation. Why is My pain perpetual, and My wound incurable, which refuseth to be healed?

LESSON II. S. LUKE, xxiii. 20—23.

PILATE therefore, willing to release Jesus, spake again to them. But they cried, saying, Crucify him, crucify him. And he said unto them the third time, Why, what evil hath he done? I have found no cause of death in him: I will therefore chastise him, and let him go. And they were instant with loud voices, requiring that He might be crucified. And the voices of them and of the chief priests prevailed.

PROPHECY. JEREMIAH, XI. 18—20.

THE Lord hath given Me knowledge of it, and I know it: then Thou shewedst Me their doings. But I was like a lamb or an ox that is brought to the slaughter; and I knew not that they had devised devices against Me, saying, Let us destroy the tree with the fruit thereof, and let us cut him off from the land of the living, that his name may be no more remembered. But O Lord of hosts, that judgest righteously, that triest the reins and the heart, let Me see Thy vengeance on them: for unto Thee have I revealed My cause.

LESSON III. S. JOHN, XIX. 1—12.

THEN Pilate therefore took Jesus, and scourged Him. And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put it on His head, and they put on Him a purple robe, and said, Hail, King of the Jews! and they smote Him with their hands. Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I bring him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in him. Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And Pilate saith unto them, Behold the Man! When the chief priests therefore and officers saw Him, they cried out, saying, Crucify him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Take ye him, and crucify him: for I find no fault in him. The Jews answered him, We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God. When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he was the more afraid; and went again into the judgment hall, and saith unto Jesus, Whence art thou? But Jesus gave him no answer. Then saith Pilate unto Him, Speakest thou not unto me? knowest thou not that I have power to crucify thee, and have power to release thee? Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against Me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered Me unto thee hath

the greater sin. And from thenceforth Pilate sought to release Him : but the Jews cried out, saying, If thou let this man go, thou art not Cæsar's friend : whosoever maketh himself a king speaketh against Cæsar. But Thou.

V. False witnesses did rise up.

R. They laid to My charge things that I knew not.

V. I became dumb, and opened not My mouth.

R. For it was Thy doing.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*



At Sept.

ANTHEM. Mine enemies speak against Me. *As on Wednesday.*

THE LESSONS.

PROPHECY, EZEKIEL, XXII. 2—6.

NOW, thou son of man, wilt thou judge, wilt thou judge the bloody city? yea, thou shalt shew her all her abominations. Then say thou, Thus saith the Lord God; The city sheddeth blood in the midst of it, that her time may come, and maketh idols against herself to defile herself. Thou art become guilty in thy blood that thou hast shed; and hast defiled thyself in thine idols which thou hast made; and thou hast caused thy days to draw near, and art come even unto thy years: therefore have I made thee a reproach unto the heathen, and a mocking to all countries. Those that be near, and those that be far from thee, shall mock thee, which art infamous and much vexed. Behold, the princes of Israel, every one were in thee to their power to shed blood.

LESSON I. S. JOHN, XIX. 13—16.

PILATE brought Jesus forth, and sat down in the judgment seat, in a place that is called the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha. And it was the preparation of the Passover, and about the sixth hour : and he saith unto the Jews, Behold your King ! But they cried out, Away with him, away with him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King ? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Cæsar. Then delivered he Him therefore unto them to be crucified. And they took Jesus, and led Him away.

PROPHECY. LAMENTATIONS, I. 12—14.

IS it nothing to you, all ye that pass by ? behold, and see if there be any sorrow like unto My sorrow, which is done unto Me, wherewith the Lord hath afflicted Me in the day of His fierce anger. From above hath He sent fire into My bones, and it prevaieth against them : He hath spread a net for My feet, He hath turned Me back : He hath made Me desolate and faint all the day. The yoke of My transgressions is bound by His hand : they are wreathed, and come up upon My neck ; He hath made My strength to fall ; the Lord hath delivered Me into their hands, from whom I am not able to rise up.

LESSON II. S. LUKE, XXIII. 26—32.

AND as they led Jesus away, they laid hold upon one Simon, a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear it after Jesus. And there followed Him a great company of people, and of women, which also bewailed and lamented Him. But Jesus turning unto them said, Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for Me, but weep for

yourselves, and for your children. For, behold, the days are coming, in the which they shall say, Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck. Then shall they begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover us. For if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry? And there were also two others, malefactors, led with Him to be put to death.

PROPHECY. ISAIAH, LIII. 8—12.

HE was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare His generation? for He was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of My people was He stricken. And He made His grave with the wicked, and with the rich in His death; because He had done no violence, neither was any deceit in His mouth. Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise Him; He hath put Him to grief: when Thou shalt make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand. He shall see of the travail of His soul, and shall be satisfied: by His knowledge shall My righteous Servant justify many; for He shall bear their iniquities. Therefore will I divide Him a portion with the great, and He shall divide the spoil with the strong; because He hath poured out His soul unto death: and He was numbered with the transgressors; and He bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

LESSON III. S. LUKE, XXIII. 33—44.

AND when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified Him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left. Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And the people stood beholding. And the rulers also with them derided Him,

saying, He saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ, the Chosen of God. And the soldiers also mocked Him, coming to Him, and offering Him vinegar, and saying, If thou be the king of the Jews, save thyself. And a superscription also was written over Him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on Him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us. But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but This Man hath done nothing amiss. And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when Thou comest into Thy kingdom. And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, To day shalt thou be with Me in paradise. And it was about the sixth hour, and there was a darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. And Thou.

V. They pierced My hands and My feet.

R. They stand staring and looking upon Me.

V. For Thy sake have I suffered reproof.

R. Shame hath covered My face.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

At None.

ANTHEM. Lord, how long shall the ungodly, how long shall the ungodly triumph? They gather them together against the soul of the Righteous, and condemn the innocent Blood.

THE LESSONS.

PROPHECY. DANIEL, IX. 20—26.

WHILES I was speaking, and praying, and confessing my sin, and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the Lord my God for the holy mountain of my God ; yea, whiles I was speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation. And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth to give thee skill and understanding. At the beginning of thy supplications the commandment came forth, and I am come to shew thee ; for thou art greatly beloved : therefore understand the matter, and consider the vision. Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the Most Holy. Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks : the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times. And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for Himself : and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary.

LESSON I. S. JOHN, XIX. 23—27.

THEN the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took His garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part ; and also His coat : now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout. They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be : that the Scripture

might be fulfilled, which saith, They parted My raiment among them, and for My vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did. Now there stood by the cross of Jesus His mother, and His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple standing by, whom He loved, He saith unto His mother, Woman, behold thy son ! Then saith He to the disciple, Behold thy mother ! And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home.

PROPHECY. LAMENTATIONS, III. 1—19.

I AM the Man that hath seen affliction by the rod of His wrath. He hath led Me, and brought Me into darkness, but not into light. Surely against Me is He turned ; He turned His hand against Me all the day. My flesh and My skin hath He made old ; He hath broken My bones. He hath builded against Me, and compassed Me with gall and travel. He hath set Me in dark places, as they that be dead of old. He hath hedged Me about, that I cannot get out : He hath made My chain heavy. Also when I cry and shout, He shutteth out My prayer. He hath inclosed My ways with hewn stone, He hath made My paths crooked. He was unto Me as a bear lying in wait, and as a lion in secret places. He hath turned aside My ways, and pulled Me in pieces : He hath made Me desolate. He hath bent His bow, and set Me as a mark for the arrow. He hath caused the arrows of His quiver to enter into My reins. I was a derision to all My people ; and their song all the day. He hath filled Me with bitterness, He hath made Me drunken with wormwood. He hath also broken My teeth with gravel stones, He hath covered Me with ashes. And Thou hast removed My soul far off from peace : I forgot prosperity. And I said, My strength and My hope is perished from the Lord : remembering Mine affliction and My misery, the wormwood and the gall.

LESSON II. S. MATTHEW, XXVII. 45—56, AND
S. JOHN, XIX. 30.

NOW from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me? Some of them that stood there, when they heard that, said, This man calleth for Elias. And straightway one of them ran, and took a sponge, and filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave Him to drink. The rest said, Let be, let us see whether Elias will come to save him.

When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, He said, **IT IS FINISHED:** AND HE BOWED HIS HEAD, AND GAVE UP THE GHOST.

And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent; and the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, and came out of the graves after His resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many. Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God. And many women were there beholding afar off, which followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering unto Him: Among which was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of Zebedee's children.

PROPHECY. ZECHARIAH, XIII. 1, AND XII. 10.

IN that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness. And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, *the Spirit of grace and of supplications*: and they shall

look upon Me Whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for Him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for Him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn.

LESSON III. S. JOHN, XIX. 31—37.

THE Jews because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was crucified with Him. But when they came to Jesus, and saw that He was dead already, they brake not His legs: But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced His side, and forthwith came thereout blood and water. And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe. For these things were done, that the Scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of Him shall not be broken. And again another Scripture saith, They shall look on Him Whom they pierced. But Thou.

V. My God, My God, look upon Me.

R. Why hast Thou forsaken Me.

V. They part My garments among them;

R. And cast lots upon My vesture.

V. They gave Me gall to eat.

R. And when I was thirsty, they gave Me vinegar to drink.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee. *As at Prime.*

Compline.

THE BENEDICTION.

MAY the Almighty Lord grant us a quiet night, and a perfect end. *Amen.*

THE SHORT LESSON. ISAIAH, LVII. 1, 2.

THE righteous perisheth, and no man layeth it to heart: and merciful men are taken away, none considering that the righteous is taken away from the evil to come. He shall enter into peace: they shall rest in their beds, each one walking in his uprightness. Thus saith.

R. Thanks be to God.

PRESIDENT. Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

R. Who hath made heaven and earth.

OFFICIANT. Turn us, O God, our Saviour.

R. And let Thine anger cease from us.

V. Come to our aid, O God.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

THE PSALM.

PSALM LXXXVIII.

O LORD God of My salvation, I have cried day and night before Thee; * O let My prayer enter into Thy presence, incline Thine ear unto My calling.

For My soul is full of trouble, * and My life draweth nigh unto hell.

I am counted as one of them that go down into the pit, * and I have been even as a man that hath no strength.

Free among the dead, like unto them that are wounded, and lie in the grave, * who are out of remembrance, and are cut away from Thy hand.

Thou hast laid Me in the lowest pit, * in a place of darkness, and in the deep.

Thine indignation lieth hard upon Me; * and Thou hast vexed Me with all Thy storms.

Thou hast put away Mine acquaintance far from Me; * and made Me to be abhorred of them.

I am so fast in prison, * that I cannot get forth.

My sight faileth for very trouble. * Lord, I have called daily upon Thee, I have stretched forth My hands unto Thee.

Dost Thou shew wonders among the dead? * or shall the dead rise up again, and praise Thee?

Shall Thy loving-kindness be shewed in the grave, * or Thy faithfulness in destruction?

Shall Thy wondrous works be known in the dark, * and Thy righteousness in the land where all things are forgotten?

Unto Thee have I cried, O Lord, * and early shall My prayer come before Thee.

Lord, why abhorrest Thou My soul; * and hidest Thou Thy face from Me?

I am in misery, and like unto him that is at the point to die; * even from My youth up Thy terrors have I suffered with a troubled mind.

Thy wrathful displeasure goeth over me; * and the fear of Thee hath undone Me.

They came round about Me daily like water; * and compassed Me together on every side.

My lovers and friends hast Thou put away from Me; * and hid Mine acquaintance out of My sight.

ANTHEM. He was taken from prison, and from judgment; He was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of My people was He stricken. And He made His grave with the wicked, and with the rich in His death.

THE BENEDICTION.

MAY God have mercy upon us. and give us peace.
Amen.

THE LESSON.

S. JOHN, XIX. 38—42, AND S. LUKE, XXIII. 55, 56.

JOSEPH of Arimathæa, being a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, besought Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus : and Pilate gave him leave. He came therefore, and took the body of Jesus. And there came also Nicodemus, which at the first came to Jesus by night, and brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about an hundred pound weight. Then took they the body of Jesus, and wound it in linen clothes with the spices, as the manner of the Jews is to bury. Now in the place where He was crucified there was a garden ; and in the garden a new sepulchre, wherein was never man yet laid. There laid they Jesus therefore because of the Jews' preparation day ; for the sepulchre was nigh at hand.

And the women also, which came with Him from Galilee, followed after, and beheld the sepulchre, and how His body was laid. And they returned, and prepared spices and ointments ; and rested the sabbath day according to the commandment. And Thou.

R. Thanks be to God.

V. My heart is glad ;

R. My flesh also shall rest in hope.

V. Thou shalt not leave My soul in hell ;

R. Neither shalt Thou suffer Thy Holy One to see corruption.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father.

PRESIDENT. Let us pray, most dearly beloved Brethren, for the holy Church of God; that the Lord God would be pleased to grant it peace, restore it to union, and preserve it over the whole earth.

OFFICIANT.

ALMIGHTY and eternal God, Who, by Thy Son Jesus Christ, hast revealed Thy glory to all nations; Preserve Thy Church throughout the whole world, that it may persevere with constant faith in the confession of Thy Name, and be restored to unity and peace; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRES. Brethren, pray for *John*, Archbishop of *Canterbury*, *Primate of all England*, that God may preserve him in health and safety, and enable him to govern in His holy Church with wisdom, fidelity, and prudence.

OFFICIANT.

ALMIGHTY and eternal God, by Whose appointment all things have been established, and are maintained; mercifully regard our prayers, and, by Thy goodness, preserve the Archbishop of this Province; that all Christian people, placed under his rule, may increase in faith, charity, and virtue, and with one heart and mind praise Thee in Thy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRES. Brethren, pray for *Archibald*, Bishop of this Diocese of *London*; for all Bishops; for the Clergy of this Parish, and for all Priests and Deacons; for all teachers of religion; and for all the holy people of God.

OFFICIANT.

ALMIGHTY and eternal God, by Whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before Thee, for all estates of men in Thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRES. Brethren, pray for the Provost, Warden, Masters, and Stewards, and all the Brethren and Fellows of this Guild ; for the Superiors and Sisters ; and for all our benefactors and well-wishers.

OFFICIANT.

ALMIGHTY and eternal God, Who canst make even the weak things of this world to confound the mighty ; mercifully hear these our prayers which we humbly offer to Thee, for every member of the Guild to which we belong. Increase our love ; strengthen our faith ; and enable us to perform our several duties with humble zeal and diligence ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRES. Brethren, pray for the Catechumens ; that our Lord God may open for them the ears of their minds, and the gates of His mercy ; that they may receive the remission of sin by the washing of regeneration, and ever belong to our Lord Jesus Christ.

OFFICIANT.

ALMIGHTY and eternal God, Who continually makest Thy Church fruitful in new children ; increase the faith and understanding of our Catechumens ; that, being born again at the font of Baptism, they may ever remain Thine adopted children ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRES. Brethren, pray earnestly for the young ; that the all-loving and most merciful God may strengthen the Faith in their hearts ; that He may give them a God-like mind and pure thoughts ; and that He may preserve them from evil, and from every deceit of the enemy.

OFFICIANT.

ALMIGHTY and eternal God, Who makest us both to will and to do those things that are good and acceptable unto Thee ; have compassion on the young ; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of

Thy word, that in the end they may obtain everlasting life ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRES. Brethren, pray to God the Father Almighty, that He may purge the world of all errors, drive away pestilence and famine, open the prisons, break the chains of captivity, grant health to the sick, food to the hungry, security to travellers, and a safe voyage to such as are at sea.

OFFICIANT.

ALMIGHTY and eternal God, the Comfort of the afflicted, and the Strength of those that labour ; hear our prayers in behalf of all such as are in tribulation and want ; that they may every one of them experience the effects of Thy mercy in their necessities ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRES. Pray also for all heretics and schismatics ; that our Lord God may be pleased to deliver them from all their errors, and call them back to the communion of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church.

OFFICIANT.

ALMIGHTY and eternal God, Who offerest salvation to all men, and wouldest have none to perish ; look down upon those souls that are seduced by the deceits of the devil, and turn their hearts from error, that they may return to the unity of the truth ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRES. Pray also, Brethren, for the Jews ; that the Lord God may withdraw the veil from their hearts, and cause them also to acknowledge our Lord Jesus Christ.

OFFICIANT.

ALMIGHTY and eternal God, Who deniest not Thy mercy even to the faithless Jews ; hear our prayers which we pour forth for the blindness of Thine ancient people ; that acknowledging Christ, the Light of truth, they may be brought out of darkness ; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRES. Pray likewise, Brethren, for all Pagans ; that quitting their idols, they may be converted to the true and living God.

OFFICIANT.

ALMIGHTY and eternal God, Who seekest not the death of sinners, but that they should be converted and live ; mercifully hear our prayers, and deliver the heathen from their idolatry, and admit them into Thy holy Church, to the praise and glory of Thy Name ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OFF. O Saviour of the world, Who by Thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed us ;

R. Save us, and help us, we beseech Thee, O Lord.

THE REPROACHES.

V. O My people, what have I done to thee ? In what have I grieved thee ? Answer thou Me.

I brought thee up out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the house of servants ; and thou hast prepared a Cross for thy Saviour.

R. O Holy God, O Holy Mighty One, O Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.

V. I led thee forty years through the wilderness, and fed thee with manna, and brought thee into an excellent land ; but thou hast prepared a Cross for thy Saviour.

R. O Holy God, O Holy Mighty One, etc.

V. What more should I have done unto thee that I have not done ? I planted thee for My most beautiful vineyard, but thou hast proved very bitter to Me ; and hast prepared a Cross for thy Saviour.

R. O Holy God, O Holy Mighty One, etc.

V. O My people, what have I done to thee ? In what have I grieved thee ? Answer thou Me.

For thy sake I scourged Egypt with her first-born : and thou hast delivered Me to be scourged.

R. O Holy God, O Holy Mighty One, etc.

V. I led thee out of Egypt, and drowned Pharaoh in the Red Sea ; and thou hast delivered Me to the chief priests.

R. O Holy God, O Holy Mighty One, etc.

V. I opened the sea before thee ; and thou hast opened My side with a spear.

R. O Holy God, O Holy Mighty One, etc.

V. O my people, what have I done to thee ? In what have I grieved thee ? Answer thou Me.

I went before thee in a pillar of cloud ; and thou hast led Me to the court of Pilate.

R. O Holy God, O Holy Mighty One, etc.

V. I fed thee with manna in the desert ; and thou hast beaten Me with buffets and stripes.

R. O Holy God, O Holy Mighty One, etc.

V. I gave thee pure water out of the rock ; and thou hast given Me gall and vinegar to drink.

R. O Holy God, O Holy Mighty One, etc.

V. O My people, what have I done to thee ? In what have I grieved thee ? Answer thou Me.

For thy sake, I smote the kings of Canaan ; and thou hast smitten My head with a reed.

R. O Holy God, O Holy Mighty One, etc.

V. I gave thee a royal diadem ; and thou hast given Me a crown of thorns.

R. O Holy God, O Holy Mighty One, etc.

V. By great might, I raised thee above the nations ; and thou hast lifted Me up, upon the Cross.

R. O Holy God, O Holy Mighty One, etc.

OFF. O Saviour of the world, Who by Thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed us.

R. Save us and help us, we beseech Thee, O Lord.

OFF. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world ;

R. Have mercy upon us.

OFF. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world ;

R. Grant us Thy peace.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee graciously behold this Thy family, for which our Lord Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the Cross; Who now liveth and reigneth with Thee the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end.
Amen.

PRESIDENT. Brethren, go in peace.

¶ *Then all depart in silence.*

SATURDAY, THE FORTIETH DAY OF LENT.

Easter Even.

At Prime.

THE PSALMS.

PSALM XVI.

PRESERVE Me, O God ; * for in Thee have I put
My trust.

O My soul, Thou hast said unto the Lord, * Thou
art My God, My goods are nothing unto Thee.

All My delight is upon the saints, that are in the
earth, * and upon such as excel in virtue.

But they that run after another god * shall have
great trouble.

Their drink-offerings of blood will I not offer ; *
neither make mention of their names within My lips.

The Lord Himself is the portion of Mine inheritance,
and of My cup : * Thou shalt maintain My lot.

The lot is fallen unto Me in a fair ground ; * yea, I
have a goodly heritage.

I will thank the Lord for giving Me warning ; * My
reins also chasten Me in the night season.

I have set God always before Me ; * for He is on My
right hand, therefore I shall not fall.

Wherefore My heart was glad, and My glory re-
joiced ; * My flesh also shall rest in hope.

For why ? Thou shalt not leave My soul in hell ; *
neither shalt Thou suffer Thy Holy One to see corrup-
tion.

Thou shalt shew Me the path of life ; in Thy Presence is the fulness of joy ; * and at Thy right hand there is pleasure for evermore.

PSALM XVII.

HEAR the right, O Lord, consider My complaint ; * and hearken unto My prayer that goeth not out of feigned lips.

Let My sentence come forth from Thy Presence ; * and let Thine eyes look upon the thing that is equal.

Thou hast proved and visited Mine heart in the night season ; Thou hast tried Me, and shalt find no wickedness in Me ; * for I am utterly purposed that My mouth shall not offend.

Because of men's works, that are done against the words of Thy lips ; * I have kept Me from the ways of the destroyer.

O hold Thou up My goings in Thy path ; * that My footsteps slip not.

I have called upon Thee, O God, for Thou shalt hear Me ; * incline Thine ear to Me, and hearken unto My words.

Shew Thy marvellous loving-kindness, Thou that art the Saviour of them which put their trust in Thee, * from such as resist Thy right hand.

Keep Me as the apple of an eye ; * hide Me under the shadow of Thy wings,

From the ungodly that trouble Me : * Mine enemies compass Me round about to take away My soul.

They are inclosed in their own fat ; * and their mouth speaketh proud things.

They lie waiting in our way on every side ; * turning their eyes down to the ground ;

Like as a lion that is greedy of his prey ; * and as it were a lion's whelp, lurking in secret places.

Up, Lord, disappoint him, and cast him down : * deliver My soul from the ungodly, which is a sword of Thine ;

From the men of Thy hand, O Lord, from the men, I say, and from the evil world ; * which have their portion in this life, whose bellies Thou fillest with Thy hid treasure.

They have children at their desire ; * and leave the rest of their substance for their babes.

But as for Me, I will behold Thy Presence in righteousness ; * and when I awake up after Thy likeness, I shall be satisfied with it.

ANTHEM. I will ransom them from the power of the grave ; I will redeem them from death. O death, I will be thy plagues ; O grave, I will be thy destruction.

THE LESSON.

S. MATTHEW, XXVII. 62—66.

NOW the next day, that followed the day of the preparation, the chief priests and Pharisees came together unto Pilate, saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, After three days I will rise again. Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night, and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead : so the last error shall be worse than the first. Pilate said unto them, Ye have a watch : go your way, make it as sure as ye can. So they went, and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch. And Thou.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, that as we are baptized into the death of Thy blessed Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, so by continual mortifying our corrupt affections we may be buried with Him ; and that through the grave, and gate of death, we may pass to our joyful resurrection ;

for His merits, Who died, and was buried, and rose again for us, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Excepting MATINS and EVENSONG, no other Offices are said on this Day. But the Brethren are directed to employ their time in silent Prayer and devout Meditation upon the great mystery of the Death of CHRIST our LORD, and the unspeakable blessings which He has purchased for them, by the shedding of His most precious Blood.*

PRAYERS FOR VARIOUS OCCASIONS.

O MERCIFUL God, bless the universal Church, and particularly this part thereof in which we live. Make all its members sound in faith, and holy in life, that they may serve Thee, and Thou mayest bless them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O ETERNAL God and merciful Father; we humbly beseech Thee to bless Thy holy Catholic Church, wheresoever spread upon the face of the whole earth. Good Lord, purge it from all unbelief, heresy, schism, superstition, and factious maintenance of groundless opinions; that one Faith, one Lord, one Baptism may, in all places, be uniformly professed, as Thy Church can be but one; and grant that we may continue faithful, living, and working members, under Christ the Head, in that Church His Body, all the days of our life; through the merits, and by the grace of the same Jesus Christ our Lord and only Saviour. *Amen.*

A LMIGHTY God, Who didst call Thy Church to be one holy Body, filled with Thy Life and divine Presence; have mercy upon all who call themselves Christians. Lead them, we beseech Thee, out of all their wanderings and divisions, and heal all animosities and variance; that they may all, once more, be one in Jesus Christ, as He is one with Thee. Deliver those who, deceived by the wiles of the enemy, have forsaken the congregation of Thy Church, or been carried away by the vanity of error; and restore them to the unity of the Faith, in the one Fold of the one Shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD, Who, for the service of Thy house, and the necessities of Thy people, hast provided several orders and degrees of holy ministry; grant unto all

those who serve in Thy Church that with pure hearts and minds they may minister at Thine Altar, and devote themselves wholly to the care of Thy flock. Grant this for the sake of Thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

O LORD Jesu Christ, Shepherd and Governor of all Thy faithful people; mercifully look down upon Thy servants, whom Thou hast appointed Pastors in Thy Church; and grant that, both by word and example, they may edify those that are under their charge, and, together with the flocks entrusted to them, arrive at length at eternal happiness; through Thy merits, Who livest and reignest, with the Father and the Spirit, one God for ever. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, the Giver of all good gifts; mercifully behold Thy servant the Bishop of this Diocese; and so replenish him with the truth of Thy doctrine, and adorn him with innocency of life, that, both by word and deed, he may faithfully serve Thee in his office, to the glory of Thy Name, and the edifying and well-governing of Thy Church; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O LORD, we pray Thee, mercifully regard Thy servants the Clergy of this Parish: Grant them grace to live as patterns of all goodness and virtue; confirm them with all spiritual gifts; make them to abide steadfast in the Faith, abounding in hope, and united with each other and with their flock in one heart and one mind; that so they may constantly serve Thee here in gladness and tranquility, and praise Thee hereafter in everlasting happiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O LORD God, the Father of lights, and Fountain of all wisdom; we Thy humble and unworthy servants prostrate at Thy footstool, beseech Thee that the

Clergy, now solemnly assembled in *Convocation*, may, by Thy heavenly grace, be enabled to consider, settle, and determine such things as shall promote Thy glory, and the purity, peace, and unity of Thy Church. Grant that the Holy Ghost, Who in former days guided the Council of the Apostles, may direct all their deliberations, and enable them firmly and constantly to uphold all truly Catholic and Apostolic Faith and Discipline, and maintain the freedom and integrity of this branch of the universal Church, wherein Thou hast been pleased to cast our lot. We ask these blessings through the mediation of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

O LORD God, Who hast left us Thy holy Word to be a lantern to our feet, and a light unto our steps; give unto us Thy Holy Spirit, that out of that Word we may learn what is Thine eternal will, and frame our lives in all holy obedience to the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GRANT, we beseech Thee, O heavenly Father, that after the example of holy Simeon, and Anna, and all Thy devout servants, who waited for the consolation of Israel, we may at this time so serve Thee with fasting and prayer, that by the Advent and Birth of our Blessed Redeemer, we may, with them, be filled with true joy and consolation; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O LORD God, Who madest all things in heaven and earth; bless the work of our hands, and the produce of the earth to Thy glory. Keep us this day from all evil thoughts, or sinful and irreverent words: make us obedient to those placed over us, and kind to one another; diligent in business, serving the Lord. Enable us to remember that the ground was cursed for our sins; and give us a part in the sacrifice of Him, Who by His crown of thorns and precious death took that curse away. All which we beg for the sake of the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son. *Amen.*

O LORD, Who hast made all things to serve Thee, and man above all to be employed in holy and laudable doings; keep us from the sinfulness of an idle life; let us not spend our days in vain, but improve them in such labours as may be proper to our condition, profitable to others, and, above all, suitable to Thy service, and available to our eternal salvation. Enable us, O Lord, to redeem what is lost of our time, and to spend the remainder of that treasure to the use for which Thou givest us to live in this world, even to lay up for ourselves an abiding treasure in the world to come; through His merit, whose life was spent in doing good, our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

GIVE unto us, O Lord, we humbly beseech Thee, a wise, a sober, a patient understanding; a devout, a religious, a courageous heart; chaste reins and temperate thoughts; a soul full of devotion to do Thee service, and strength against all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

HAVE mercy upon us, O Lord, and forgive us all the sins we have committed from our infancy until this present moment, whether knowingly or ignorantly, inwardly or outwardly, sleeping or waking, by thought, word or deed, by the suggestions of the evil one, or by the evil desires of our own heart; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O MERCIFUL Father, by Whose power and strength we may overcome all our enemies, both bodily and spiritual; grant unto us that, according to the promise made in our Baptism, we may resist the enticements of the world, the pleasures of the flesh, and the temptations of the wicked one; and so hereafter lead our lives in holiness and righteousness, that we may serve Thee in spirit and in truth, and at last come to that place which our Saviour has prepared for us in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, Who didst cause water to flow from the rock ; draw from our stony hearts tears of contrition ; that we, worthily lamenting our sins, may receive remission of them by Thy mercy ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O LORD Jesu Christ, Who for our salvation didst stretch forth Thy hands upon the Cross, and didst receive five wounds thereon ; pitifully receive within the arms of Thy mercy us, Thy servants, who fly to Thee for aid, and relieve the wounds of our souls by Thy healing grace ; that being cleansed from the defilements of sin, we may be made the temples of the Holy Ghost, Who, with Thee and the Almighty Father, livest and reignest, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

O MOST merciful God, the Foundation of our hope, and our Refuge in trouble ; deliver us from our enemies, and from the snares of death ; that being saved from the multitude of troubles that surround us, we may devoutly praise Thy holy Name ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD, the Maker and Redeemer of all mankind ; grant to all Thy servants a merciful judgment at the last day ; that they, in the face of all creatures, may then be acknowledged as Thy true children ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD, Merciful and Faithful, the aid of all that put their trust in Thee ; keep safely under the shadow of Thy wings, ourselves, our relatives and friends, our benefactors, and all true believers, even Thy whole Church ; that we may enjoy Thy Presence alway, and increase in Thy Holy Spirit more and more, till we come to Thine everlasting Kingdom ; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

BEFORE THE ELECTION OF PROVOST.

ALMIGHTY and Everlasting God, Who rulest all things both in heaven and earth; mercifully hear our supplications, and grant that whosoever among us shall be raised to the office of Provost of this Guild, may receive Thy heavenly benediction, and be guided, by Thy mighty hand. Give him grace to conduct all our affairs with wisdom; and be Thou his Helper in all difficulties, and his Defender in all dangers; for the sake of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

BEFORE MEETINGS OF THE PROVOST'S COURT.

O GOD, by Whose power all things were created, and by Whose wisdom they are preserved in order and safety; let Thy merciful care watch over the assembly of the Provost's Court; preserve *us [them]* from all hastiness, obstinacy, and perverse judgment; guide *us [them]* into all wise and prudent counsels; inspire *us [them]* with boldness to conceive, and courage and promptitude to put in execution, all such plans and resolutions as may promote Thy glory; suffer *us [them]* not to seek any second object, but make *us [them]* to seek Thy glory only; and do Thou, by us or against us, bring about that we should desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

